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### Cover:

The official ground-breaking ceremony for the new Lyda Bunker Hunt Dining Hall was held on September 28, and the cover picture shows three students trying their hand at the bulldozer. The girls are Betty Kelley '62 and Marion Richardson '63, both of Richmond, Va., and Vera Carl Thomas '62 of Mount Airy, N. C.

*Horace T. Day is a painter and a teacher of art at Mary Baldwin College in Virginia. It is his opinion "that our attitudes about art today are shaped not so much by the artists themselves, which was true even as recently as in the days of Henri and Sloan, but by estheticians, professional critics, dealers, and museum directors. I recognize their usefulness as intermediaries between the painter and the layman or their value to the artist in his search for a philosophy of art; yet there is also a danger in that the student is apt to take on faith certain assumptions which for the painter ought to be tested by experience. Some theories in current art criticism have been swallowed whole by both painter and public. Perhaps the one most frequently encountered and accepted as dogma is the belief that the camera has made representational art obsolete." The following article by Mr. Day presents his point of view.*

## THE CAMERA'S LENS AND THE ARTIST'S EYE

by Horace T. Day

ONE of the favorite dogmas of some contemporary critics is the notion that the camera has changed the whole direction of painting and that the only legitimate field for creative art today is in the realm of the abstract, where the artist, set free from the bondage of representation, is able to explore the real world of pure form.

Hilla Rebay, speaking for the Guggenheim Foundation, puts it this way: "Representative painting formerly was necessary to offer to the earthly intellect views of lovely situations with design, light, shadow, and colour. All this now is given by photographs and colour prints, while in addition the cinema offers the nearest perfection of representing natural life in fiction . . . The non-objective picture stands by itself as an entirely free creation, conceived out of the intuitive enjoyment of space." This theory, which on the surface seems so plausible, has invaded practically every text book on contemporary painting and esthetics. Interestingly enough, it is a theory which has seemed much more valid to those who *write* about art than to painters who, familiar with the craft, have been quicker to perceive the differences rather than the similarities between these two means of representation. Yet the increasing prestige of this assumption which so neatly explains the necessity for abstract art does not, to my mind, give this art form the integrity it deserves. At the same time it has had the effect of arbitrarily limiting the artist's natural range of perception, forcing him into what might be described as an esthetic strait jacket.

Modern writers on esthetics have undoubtedly helped to free the ignorant painter and layman alike from the belief that truth or beauty in art is dependent on verisimilitude or that the aim of the painter

ever was to achieve a neutral scientific objectivity. The painter, unless he is incredibly naïve, cannot help but make a distinction between the product of the camera's lens and his own gift which we shall call a capacity for realization. To the insensitive, the result of both methods may seem comparable, yet the inability to perceive this distinction has created in many minds a seemingly impassable gulf which isolates the world of appearances, the artist's natural material, from the world of pure form which exists, after all, only in the work of art. Is this gulf to be bridged by sheer intuition, as Hilla Rebay would have it, or by what other means is the painter to extract from the raw material of nature that essential quality which gives art its significance?

To get some light on this problem it is refreshing to turn to the often starkly simple statements of the artists themselves. It is interesting that Matisse in his *Notes of a Painter* makes no reference to the camera as having any effect on his philosophy of art. He says that the artist "must sincerely believe that he has only painted what he has seen," and goes on to quote Rodin who said, "copy nature," and Cezanne who said, "I want to secure a likeness." Far from believing the camera has intruded into what had hitherto been the artist's field, he says: "Some will object perhaps that a painter should have some other outlook upon painting and that I have only uttered platitudes. To this I shall answer that there are no new truths. The role of the artist, like that of the scholar, consists in penetrating truths as well known to him as to others but which will take on for him a new aspect and so enable him to master them in their deepest significance." And again he insists that "those who work in an affected style, deliberately





Horace Day exhibits one of his paintings in the studio of his home.

turning their backs on nature, are in error—an artist must recognize that when he uses his reason his picture is an artifice and that when he paints he must feel that he is copying nature—and even when he consciously departs from nature he must do it with the conviction that it is only the better to interpret her.”

Style, it would seem, is then indivisible with the personality of the artist and is to be achieved through

a long apprenticeship with appearances, perception growing as the painter learns to divine the inherent order about him. By this means he laboriously develops a cosmology of his own which, although derived from nature, has its own unity. There is plenty of room in this cosmology of art for any kind of expression, abstract or otherwise, but it must of necessity come, as Matisse says, out of a conviction that his painting is the inevitable product of his vision.

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*"When the book was first accepted for publication, I felt numb . . ."*

So says Rosalie Packard Digby-Seymour

in

## London Interview

by Ida Sumner Wood '54



Rosalie Packard Digby-Seymour

**"T**AKE a deep breath and start climbing!" These were the first words *Rosalie Packard Digby-Seymour* spoke to me in London last spring. They were her advice for the four flights of plushly carpeted stairs leading to her apartment, but they are also an apt description of Rosalie's route to literary fame. When my husband and I flew to London for eight months of historical research on his doctoral dissertation, I took along a list of Mary Baldwin alumnae in England. Rosalie's name was at the top, and when I went to tea with her, I didn't even know whether she was English or American—and I certainly had no idea of her recent literary conquest. As I came away, I was impressed with her quick wit and unassuming charm, looked forward to having her and her English husband to dinner, and remained ignorant of the fact that she had just published a first novel in England, drawing rave reviews, and would soon see it published in the States—such is her modesty.

The very next day I had a letter from Hannah Campbell asking me to interview Rosalie for this article. I immediately rushed out to buy *Love in the Mist*.<sup>\*</sup> It was readily available in the Charing Cross Road book shops and provided my husband and me with hours of entertainment. Rosalie voices many of our own misconceptions, disillusionments, enlightenments, and comments on English life. Since then I have recommended the book or a condensed version in the June *Ladies' Home Journal* to a number of English, U. S., and Mexican (Magdalena Garcia, '55) friends, with much appreciative response from all. The only adverse comment was one that will probably delight Rosalie: "She sounds like an Englishwoman

trying to write like an American." The truth of the matter is that Rosalie clearly sees both of her homelands.

Since I don't often entertain rising young authors or English solieitors at dinner, the evening with Rosalie and "Dig" was a highlight of my London stay. Another great event was the birth of my first child, Judith Drake, and I can see myself someday telling my little "poppet," as the English say, that the well-known author, Rosalie Packard, gave her her first toy—a fuzzy pink duck. With such gestures Rosalie has a way of endearing herself to her acquaintances without the slightest hint of effort or artificial sweetness. She is, in fact, a marvelous young woman in whom MBC alumnae may take pride.

Because my life in England became a hectic combination of sightseeing, daily haggling with London fruiterers and butchers (the greatest tyrants on earth), maternity clinics, and finally diapers and "feeds," the material for this article was gathered piecemeal, first through Johnny, whom the Digby-Seymours kindly had to dinner while I was in the hospital (12 whole days of magnificent free care for the baby and me under the National Health Plan), and then by correspondence after we returned to the States. I heartily wish Rosalie herself could tell you about her book and her present way of life. Failing this, I highly recommend the novel and quote from a few of her reviews:

"The most charming account of a marriage between an American woman and a British man that I have read . . ." *Newcastle Journal*.

"Her observations have wit without malice and a quite devastating truth." *The Tablet*.

"There is a sardonic flicker under the make-up that

<sup>\*</sup>London, Constable, 1958; Boston, Houghton Mifflin, 1959.



maintains interest." *The Guardian* (Manchester, of course).

"She is a very funny gal. Moreover she gets as much fun out of the idiosyncracies of her own countrymen and that famous American way of life as she does out of the stuffy, boiled cabbage, clammy and deplorably unsanitary existence we live in this country. In addition she is a very nice gal. Whoever Mr. Packard (sic) may be, he is a very lucky fellow to be cosseted by such a type through all the rigours of life as it is 'lived' in the suburbs of a town in the North Midlands." *The Sphere*.

"This light and attractive book with its unexpectedly acute observations on the British character deserves that much overworked term—irresistible." *The Liverpool Daily Post*.

"A triumph of literate comedy. One would have thought that nothing funny could still be written about the British martini or British phlegm, or about sewing with the church ladies or longing for chocolate malteds, but Miss Packard has tried her hand at it, and has proved once more that every subject is brand-new for the real writer. A delightful book." *The New Yorker*.

"Kathie, the narrator, who refers to herself as 'lucky, overprivileged I,' is an altogether irresistible enchantress—sentimental, clever, bouncing with vitality . . ."; "a grand mixture of positively dancing figures of speech and of sympathetic understanding." *The New York Times* (daily)

All the reviews (save the *Tatler*) were good. While Rosalie likes the N. Y. *Times* one best, the *New Yorker* review fulfilled a lifelong ambition, and she carries

it around to read when she is depressed. *Love in the Mist* is what she calls "cheerful autobiography." "It is practically all true, she claims, but contains none of the uncheerful things that happen in real life (like death and dire disease and bills and falling in love with other men or your husband doing the same thing. Not that any of the above happened except bills but still—I dare say you know what I mean)."

Asked about her literary background, Rosalie mentions a grandfather who was an expert on Iroquois Indians and wrote books which sold well about 1910. Both Rosalie and her mother (Dorothy Braden Smith '19) were editors of *The Miscellany* at Mary Baldwin. Before "Love," Rosalie published a story in *Collier's*, a poem in the *Saturday Evening Post*, and other bits in small poverty-stricken (so she says) literary magazines in England. She also writes lots of letters, diaries, and short stories. Another novel, quite different from "Love" is in the making. Writing almost daily, Rosalie sits at the Sheraton writing table with a typewriter, smokes a lot and makes numerous revisions. Both Digby and a friend at Constables read the rough drafts.

Rosalie describes her publishers on both sides of the Atlantic as "adorable." Asked to compare them, she says, "The English ones do not have fancy offices and do not entertain me as much as the American ones did when I was in Boston but they take me out to lunch now and then and they sent me some lovely roses on publication day. The American ones made much of me during a very brief visit and gave me lots of books to read in the plane home." Sales are at 3,000 in the U. K., and 6,500 in the U. S. to date—very respectable figures for a first novel. I was impressed that she has *two* agents—one for novels, one for short stories. So you see, she really is taking a deep breath and climbing!

Rosalie, who was 35 in October and Class of '46, reminisces about MBC in wartime without men, birthday parties at the Triangle, Maud's poached eggs at the Club, singing on Sundays after lunch (and all this time I thought Donia Craig and Lee Pierce '54 instituted that tradition!), dear Dr. Spelt being funny in Psych. lectures, taking the 11:18 to New York to get into a little pleasant trouble for a change. Of her three roommates, "Rosy" sees *Peggy Richardson* every now and then, and corresponds with *Mabel Fairbanks Smith*, but has loved and lost *Jean Hartwell*—where is she?

Digby, whom Rosalie met at a party during the war when he was in the RAF and stationed in the U. S., is utterly charming. I was crushed that he arrived at our flat sans bowler, umbrella, and haughty mien, but soon forgot my disappointment in his delightful voice and conversation. He fascinated me with tales of fox hunting in the Lake Country—on foot—and earlier I had seen the fox head which testifies to his skill. His home life, Rosalie notes, was astoundingly like her own in Grosse Pointe, Michigan.

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Rosy and her Siamese, taken in the North of England.

## Alumnae Sketches



Janet Farrar Hill has breakfast at the Imperial in Tokyo with her Japanese "daughter."

### Time On Her Hands?

"**H**OW would you like to go to Korea?" Her husband was holding a letter from an agency of the State Department. Janet Farrar Hill, who calls Cleveland, Ohio, home quickly answered that she wouldn't, that Korea was one country she had no desire to visit. However, little by little she became interested, and to make a short story of it, she and her husband were ready to be on their way by May 23.

Mr. Hill is a consulting engineer and is working on the management and financial problems of the three electric utility companies which serve the Republic of Korea. He and Mrs. Hill live in Seoul on the post which is the Headquarters for the Eighth U. S. Army and the United Nations Command. Mrs. Hill describes it as a city within a city. All the personnel of the U. S. Operations Mission to Korea live there, and they are privileged to use all the facilities on the post.

Mrs. Hill isn't one to find time on her hands, so it is not surprising that she has found many things to keep her busy while she is in Korea. The U. S. O. M. Women's Club does a great social service by helping orphanages, hospitals, and other agencies, and Mrs. Hill's pet project is the Korean Children's Relief Hospital. The hospital, with a capacity for about seventy children (and nearly always filled) is owned by the City of Seoul. At present, the women are making sheets and winter pajamas for the hospital. Mrs. Hill goes to the hospital and works with the older children, helping them with handcraft. Most of the children come to the hospital because of malnutrition. As soon as they improve, they return to the orphanages.

It is said that "There is an orphanage on every corner in Seoul." Mrs. Hill says she sometimes thinks there are some in the middle of the blocks also! In South Korea, the number of children in orphanages

has jumped from about 8,000 in 200 orphanages before the war to 55,000 in 400 institutions now. In 1958 alone, 2506 babies were abandoned, 699 of them in the city of Seoul. In the same year, 1200 children left the orphanages for adoption, placement, or reaching the age where they could earn a living—but 1500 more children came in. The country is faced with a tremendous problem.

Another project that claims Mrs. Hill's time and interest is a home for eighty former beggar boys who were found on the streets of Seoul. This institution is sponsored by the Protestant Men's group of the Army Chapel. At present the boys are living in tents but it is hoped that within a month the dormitory, being constructed by them, will be completed.

### "I've Thought of Retiring . . ."

**T**HERE is still a hint of a lilt in her voice, her figure is slim and her step is light, and residents of Charlotte Court House say Miss Bessie Daniel is one of the youngest women in town. She's getting along toward 91 now, but is still a pace setter for those spry youngsters in their seventies who call her Aunt Bessie.

Miss Bessie has become a legend in her own lifetime. The seven room brick house on the main street, where she has given piano lessons to Charlotte Court House boys and girls for more than 70 years, is almost as much of a local monument as the court house designed by Thomas Jefferson, and a lot more lively.

In the years since she studied music at Mary Bald-



win College—then Augusta Female Seminary—Miss Bessie has taught several generations of Charlotte Court House's families. "I love to teach little children, beginners," Miss Bessie says. "Seeing them develop and learn is like watching a flower unfold. I feel I have added a new dimension to their lives when they learn to love music and play well."

With such feeling about children and music, no wonder her former pupils call on her; her young pupils love to stay after the lesson to talk about music; and nieces and nephews, cousins and friends parade in and out of the big, airy rooms all day long.

"I have never been lonely in my life," Miss Bessie says. "I always have more to do than I have time for. I love music, and I love to teach music. I do all my own cooking and most of my own housework, and I have my cats for companionship."

Born in Charlotte Court House on September 28, 1868, Miss Bessie has moved serenely through almost a century of cataclysmic events. She is quite at home in the atomic age, deplores rock 'n' roll but thinks this, too, will pass, and has never wasted a minute pining for "the good old days."

"When I talk about old times it is because young people ask me," she says. "I am very well adjusted to this age. I doubt if I ever take up space travel, but I want to hear about it from those who do."

"I have been thinking about retiring for 30 years," Miss Bessie says, "but I can never bring myself to do it. It would be so awful not to have anything to do . . ."

—Excerpts from story in *Richmond Times-Dispatch*  
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Frances Moose Jennings

## Cinq et Cinq Font Dix

PROBABLY every elementary school in Roanoke, Va., uses flashcards, but only one uses them to teach French.

"Cinq et cinq font dix," recites a sixth grader when Mrs. Hal Jennings holds up the card with "five plus five" on it.

Frances Moose Jennings '40 initiated the French volunteer program four years ago when one of her sons, Geoff, was in the fourth grade. Since that time, grades three through six have had instruction one hour a week from volunteer teachers. The teachers are parents and friends, but they are all well-qualified teachers. Two were born and educated in France, another studied at the Sorbonne in Paris and also at L'Institute Britanique. Frances herself majored in French at Mary Baldwin and a year later received her master's degree from the University of North Carolina.

The principal of the Crystal Spring School, with whom Frankie worked, considers the program a most worth-while one. The French lessons are, to quote her, "the most educational fun we've ever provided."

There is no textbook and no homework for the lessons. Perhaps that is why the children enjoy learning French. "Bonjour," says the class when a visitor enters the room during a French lesson. They continue with "How are you?" and "What is your name?" all in French. A picture tour through Paris teaches the children about "le Tour Eiffel" and "l'Arch de Triomphe." Scrapbooks made by last year's classes contain crayon drawings of all French nouns they know, including famous landmarks.

Frankie continued with her son Geoff's class in the 5th and 6th grades. This year that same group of children has gone to a junior high (7th grade) and she has followed them on an experimental part-time professional program. This is the first in the City of Roanoke and it is a very exciting venture. She has 122 seventh-grade students in six different classes. Each has French for two fifty-minute periods each week. Next year it is hoped that 1st year French will be offered to these students, who will then be 8th graders. In this way, five full years of high school credit would be available in one foreign language.

Frankie's younger son, Rick, is in the 3rd grade at Crystal Spring, and she is just beginning as a volunteer in his class. "At this rate," she remarks, "it looks like I have many years ahead of me in the school system—guess it's good I have only two children!"



Miss Hillhouse, Registrar, spades with enthusiasm at the ground-breaking ceremonies for the Lyda Bunker Hill Dining Room.

President Spencer and Dr. Orville Wake, president of Lynchburg College, look over the site of the new building. The building visible in the background is the Student Activities Building. The new dining hall will be located almost on a line with Memorial, Hill, and the Student Activities Building.

President Spencer succumbs to temptation!



## Mary Baldwin Builds

Since ground was broken for the new dining room, construction on two additional buildings has begun—a heating and service center located just east of Bailey Hall and behind the Nantz Tate Building now used as a laboratory nursery school, and a dormitory which is on a line with the dining hall. This dormitory will house 134 students.



# Campus Notes . . .

## High School Day

Members of the freshman class acted as hostesses to some sixty-five girls who attended High School Day at the College on October 24. An annual fall event, the program was under the direction of Dean Elizabeth Parker. The girls who attended were from Virginia and adjacent states.

Upon arrival in the morning, the girls were entertained at a coke party, after which they gathered in the King Lecture Room to meet and hear Dean Martha Grafton and President S. R. Spencer. A number of the visiting students had already applied to Mary Baldwin for admission, and they, as well as any others who wished to be, were interviewed by the Admissions Committee. Faculty members had lunch with the visitors in the college dining room, and during the afternoon a panel meeting acquainted the girls with student activities. The day was closed with a buffet supper in the dining room.

## Parents Visit Mary Baldwin Campus

Saturday, October 31, was the annual Parents' Day at Mary Baldwin. There were 128 families of students in attendance at this event, representing 16 states and the District of Columbia. Parents came from states as distant as Washington and Texas.

Designed to give parents the opportunity to learn more about the College, the program included a coffee for faculty, students and visitors, an address by President Samuel R. Spencer, Jr., a special chapel service at which the college choir was featured, campus tours conducted by members of the student body, a question and answer period for parents of freshmen, presided over by Dean Elizabeth Parker. In the evening a series of skits by each class were presented, followed by an informal reception.

Class presidents and representatives from each class served on the steering committee for this occasion.

## Students Enjoy New York Trip for Thanksgiving

The College arranged a "package deal" New York City trip over the Thanksgiving holidays for 30 girls. A fee of \$60 included round-trip transportation by chartered bus, four nights at Hotel Taft, tour of major attractions, a Broadway play and a musical. Meals and "extras" were not included in the \$60. Two college staff members accompanied the group to be accessible to the girls for help in making plans. They did not serve as chaperones. To participate in this event, students were required to have the written permission of their parents.

## Campus Combo Reorganizes

The Mary Baldwin combo, known originally as the Bombshells, has been reorganized under the name of the Skyscrapers and is being sponsored by the Recreation Association. Saxophonist Bobbie Jean Reid '61 from Covington, Va., is the leader of the group. Other members are Mary Anna McDearmon '63 from Appomattox, Va., on the drums, Kathy Hill '62 from Roanoke, Va., on the piano, Agnes Dick '61 from Newport News, Va., on the accordion, Shearer Troxell '63 from Ashland, Va., on the trumpet, and Martha Fant '63 from Sardis, Miss., on the ukelele.

The Skyscrapers practice on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 4 to 5 in the Mirror Room of the King Building, and these sessions are open to anyone in the mood for what they call "some boisterous entertainment." To date the group has made a number of appearances both on the campus and in the community.

## Wins Award for Chemical Research

Mr. John B. Daffin, professor of chemistry, has been awarded a grant for chemical research this year by the research Council of the University Center in Virginia. His project will be "A Study of the Effects of Desiccants on the Reaction Rates in Organic Preparations." His expenses, with the exception of a research assistant, will be covered by the grant.

Assisting Mr. Daffin will be Linda Davis, a senior student majoring in chemistry. Linda, who is the daughter of Louise Eaches Davis '35 of Houston, Tex., is the recipient of the Margaret Kable Russell Award for 59-60, and her expenses will be covered under this award.

## Shorthand Course to Be Discontinued

At a recent faculty meeting, it was decided to discontinue shorthand courses after this year. Typing will be offered for students interested in taking it for personal use.

## Winter Dance Week End at Mary Baldwin

With music being provided by the Lester Lanin No. 1 Travelling Band, the Cotillion Club Winter Dance was held on Saturday, December 5. Officers of the club and their escorts took part in the figure, which was performed at 10:45 following intermission.

In the afternoon a concert was given by the band, after which a buffet supper was served in the dining room. To make the week end schedule really full, an informal dance was planned by the Social Committee for Friday night. This dance was held at Ingleside and music was provided by a local group, the "Red Dots."

## LONDON INTERVIEW

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"His mother," she says, "made me wear woolly mufflers and worried that we didn't eat enough, exactly like my mother." His interests are foreign travel, antiques, and wine. He is usually luke-warm about writing, but loves *Love in the Mist* and the things she's done since. "Of course it's autobiographical," he says. "Isn't every first novel?"

Rosalie's days hold—besides writing—a little volunteer work, theatre, a few concerts, television (from both sides—she has made two appearances), lots of parties and week ends in the country (a great London institution), church, many friends, and occasional trips to the U. S. A. Asked what she likes to read, she replies, "Practically anything." (I wonder if, like my husband, she includes the small print on tin cans and tooth paste tubes?) "especially the *New Yorker*, the *New York Times*, *London Times*, the *Guardian*, *New Statesman*, novels and poetry and biography." Her favorite writers are Richard Bissell, J. D. Salinger, Evelyn Waugh, Graham Green, Vladimir Nabokov, Mary McCarthy, Irwin Shaw, Nancy Mitford, John Osborne, T. S. Eliot, Robert Lowell, and Edith Sitwell. She thinks the angry young men are the great shot in the arm that English literature needed.

Rosalie answered my questions about the impact of the publication of the novel on her personal life by saying that "The book has made me lots of new friends, principally my publishers who are all darling and my agents who are charming and very helpful. I got a lot of fan letters which were great fun and somebody even wrote and asked for my autograph (fame!). When the book was first accepted for publication I felt numb, and then I walked about half a mile back to where I'd parked the car, smiling like a mental defective. The whole enterprise has been much more rewarding in every way than I had any idea it would be. Don't just sit there, you write one too."

Well?

## THE CAMERA'S LENS

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I remember seeing recently at the Freer Gallery a painting of a branch of pear blossoms by a Chinese artist of the Sung dynasty. No picture could have been any more true to life, yet paradoxically how instinct it was with every characteristic that we associate with Chinese art. If we accept Hilla Rebay's reasoning, one might expect no more than the pleasure of recognition in a convincing representation of appearances; yet what I experienced was a pleasure that lay outside mere recognition, a satisfaction that was intimately related to abstract and formal relationships. The pear branch, through a subtle transmutation, became a symbol through which those esthetic



Digby Seymour, "sans bowler, umbrella, and haughty mien . . ."

relationships which we associate with the Chinese were communicated. Of course we cannot know, but I think it safe to assume that this Chinese artist would not have believed that a camera shot of the pear blossoms could have duplicated what he had done.

Realization, unlike the camera's mechanical eye, involves a sensory experience—an involvement with the material so complete that the artist's personality becomes fused with his subject and speaks as did the Chinese artist through his identification with the pear blossoms.

However skillfully the camera imitates tactile values, and this is a corollary of the same dogma, it cannot communicate to us the sensuous delight in flesh, for example, that one finds in a Renoir or the quality of things so beautifully realized by Titian, Corot, Watteau, and others. The artist is able to give us a sensuous embodiment of the form as well as its symbolic meaning. The degree in which an artist penetrates, as Malraux would say, the spirit of the forms, gives to the subject its meaning and its universality.

If the camera in truth has made representational art an anachronism, then one might suppose that this principle should be as applicable to the art of yesterday as it is to art of our time. Yet the reputations of such painters as Renoir, Chardin, and Velazquez, and the Chinese painter of the pear branch still stand secure—a challenge to those who would arbitrarily define the boundaries of art activity. The camera however useful it is as a tool, is no substitute for the painter's eye.

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Granddaughter, daughters, and little sisters of alumnae were entertained during the fall at a spaghetti supper as guests of the Alumnae Association. Those attending were: (standing left to right) Page Clarke, daughter of Knox Littlepage Clarke '32; Carolyn and Jane Gilmer; Diana and Olivia Rogers; Peggy and Betty Engle, daughters of Elizabeth Crawford Engle '31; Waverly Rogerson, sister of Betty Rogerson Scott '51; Anne Hogshead, daughter of Catherine Gierhart Hogshead '43 and granddaughter of Anna Bell Hogshead '95; (seated) Ellen Lyle, daughter of Katharine Walker Lyle '28; Mary Cloud Hamilton, granddaughter of Virginia Griffith Bosworth '07; Sandra Bourkard, daughter of Charlotte Brasel Bourkard '37; Gale Palmer, daughter of Josephine Gale Palmer '37; Mary Rutherford Mereer, daughter of Mary Rose Mereer '28; (front row) Phebe Palmer, daughter of Jean Hebbard Palmer '36; Shade Thomas, granddaughter of Shade Wooten Mann '06; Otey Hayward, sister of Marie Hayward '59; Ann Ballard, daughter of Dallas Lee Ballard '26; Nancy Ely, sister of Susan Ely '61; and Susie Cadle, sister of Tobie Cadle '56.



# ALUMNAE VISITORS

Mary Baldwin is always happy to welcome alumnae back to the campus. An attempt is made to keep a record of these visitors, but as you can readily understand, it is next to impossible to have such a record complete. The following names of alumnae who have visited the College to date in 1959 was compiled from the commencement registration list and from various other sources.

Martha Richardson Allen, '55  
Judy Gallup Armstrong, '58  
Hattie Timberlake Ast, '10  
Margaret Ann Newman Avent,  
'49

Barbara Durham Balcom, '40  
Bobbie Minter Barnes, '49  
Mary Highland Bell, '20  
Nancy Anderson Blakey, '49  
Winifred Boggs, '54  
Mary Bair Bowman, '31  
Janet Jo Whitney Bowyer, '46  
Dorothy Hisey Bridges, '27  
Ann L. Robinson Brown, '54  
Mary Buck, '33  
Barbara DeWitt Burke, '49  
Elizabeth Burns, '29  
Hannah Campbell, '42  
Dorothy Bowman Carr, '25  
Gertrude Messer Cheek, '35  
Jean Fear Clements, '54  
Tommie Hornbarger Clemmer,  
'55

Margaret Lawson Craighill, '49  
Elizabeth Grimes Crume, '07  
Ouida Caldwell Davis, '51  
Helen Gaw Deane, '21  
Nancy Adair Delano, '42  
Liz DeLoach, '54  
Frances Wilhelm Dorgan, '49  
Katherine Dyer Dudley, '36  
Norman Rippard Dugger, '43  
Virginia Leap Durham, '29  
Lelia Dunlap, '41  
Jean Whipple Dutton, '49  
Frances Overlock Earman, '14  
Gertrude Edmundson, '99  
Janie Holman Edwards, '39  
Caroline Eisenberg, '10  
Winifred Eisenberg, '25  
Charlotte Johnson Elliott, '17  
Carolyn Gochenour England,  
'29

Elva Fifer, '48  
Virginia Brand Francis, '33  
Lee Yeakley Gardner, '54  
Patty Andrew Goodson, '51  
Margaret Grabill, '33  
Barbara Lemmond Graham, '40  
Nancy Rawls Grissom, '54  
Becky Morrison Gullander, '34  
Jessie Carr Haden, '54  
Christine Hammond, '08  
Peggy Hankins, '58  
Janet Cline Harman, '41  
Jan Mitchell Harper, '54  
Betsy Robinson Harrison, '55  
Page Smith Hartley, '55  
Susan Hoge, '34  
Marian Hollingsworth, '54  
Ellen Finley Andrews Hunter,  
'49

Bettie Gayle Thomas Jacobsen,  
'49

Elaine Baldwin Johnson, '56  
Elizabeth Johnson, '31

Marina Johnson, '58  
Mary Turk Johnston, '06  
Louise Fowlkes Kegley, '54  
Margaret Neel Quiry Keller,  
'55

Kay Poerschke Kennedy, '42  
Adele Gooch Kiessling, '38  
Catherine Zimmerman Kriete,  
'34

Louise Amis Lawton, '15  
Jane Sebrell Leachman, '49  
Caroline Caldwell Leith, '34  
Clara Beery Mellwraith, '28  
Nancy McMurray, '59  
Pat Andrews Middlekauff, '54  
Alma McCue Miller, '54  
Patsy Rutherford Miller, '55  
Ann Shaw Miller, '54  
Shannon Milligan, '59  
Bessie Hoge Moffett, '04  
Cornelia Quarles Moffett, '27  
Lee Pierce Mosso, '54  
Margie Clarke Moring, '58  
Mary Hornbarger Mustoe, '55  
Janice Moyer Ochs, '34  
Betty Lankford Peek, '50  
Mary Lou McCutcheon Parker,  
'34

Sarah Lane Parker, '41  
Ruth Lavelle Phipps, '09

Constance Headapohl Pikaart,  
'54

Mary Patterson Quincey, '27  
Nancy Quinn, '54  
Nancy E. Rawls, '49  
Katherine E. Smith Reid, '58  
Molly Wagener Rice, '40  
Anne Stuart Richardson, '52  
Julia Gooch Richmond, '34  
Betty K. Harrison Roberts, '34  
Ann Ritchie Robertson, '56  
Chilton Minus Rogers, '49  
Mary Anne Heydenreich Rush,  
'49

Margie Lee Phipps Schick, '39  
Ann Schlosser, '52  
Fran Dudley Schmid, '40  
Emily Pancake Smith, '06  
Lelia Hanger Spillman, '20  
Fannie Strauss, '12  
Nancy Joynes Stroud, '39  
Jo Ann Terrell, '56  
Melanie Terrell, '59  
Elizabeth Timberlake, '10  
Betsy Lankford Thomas, '49  
Eleanor Harwell Thomsen, '55  
Billie Smith Towlen, '52  
Jane Moudy, VanDragt, '51

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APPLE DAY is a traditional fall holiday when the sophomore class entertains the whole college community in honor of the freshman class. This picture of Sophomore Sally Clement advertises to advantage this "once a year day."



# Class Notes

## Prior to 1900

*Harriet Ogle Boughton* (Mrs. Charles W.) '95 is living with her daughter in Harrisburg, Pa. The address is 2407 Valley Rd., Bellerue Park. Recently her daughter and granddaughter visited the College in the interest of her granddaughter's attending Mary Baldwin.

by that time. Her address is 454 Church Lane, Philadelphia 44, Pa.

*Jean McDowell Head* (Mrs. J. Brodie) lives at 114 E. Market Street, York, Pa. She has one daughter who is married and lives in New Jersey.

*Ann Bell Patterson Van Landingham* (Mrs. John) wrote that she has four

interesting to note that one of her sons married a Mary Baldwin alumna, *Janet Cline Harman* '41, and her youngest daughter married the youngest son of *Bessie Hoge Moffett* '04.

*Lilian Harrison Brown* (Mrs. Forrest A.) and her husband, who is a retired lawyer, live in Charles Town, West Vir-



Sue Stribling Snodgrass '91 with her great granddaughter.



Edna Umbach '04 who retired from the Army Nurse Corps with the rank of Lt. Colonel.



Janet Stephenson Roller '05 and her husband, Colonel Roller celebrated recently their 50th wedding anniversary. Here they look through their guest book from the occasion.

Through error, the name of *Carolyn Alexander McCoy* '90 of Charleston, W. Va., was listed in the In Memoriam section of the July Magazine. We are happy to report that Mrs. McCoy is very much alive! Thanks to *Leonora McCorkle Gilbreath* '18 for calling this to our attention.

## 1904

June of this year marked the 55th anniversary of the Class of '04. One member of the class attended the Alumnae Luncheon, *Bessie Hoge Moffett*, who lives in Staunton at 215 Kalorama Street. Mrs. Moffett has three children, two sons and a daughter.

The following news of '04 alumnae is taken from the reunion questionnaires that were returned to the Alumnae Office.

*Edna Doris Umbach* retired in 1948 from the Army Nurse Corps after 30 years of service. She retired with the rank of Lt. Colonel. She writes that since retirement she has had the opportunity to take a trip to the Canadian Rockies and Alaska, Mexico, and Bermuda. She explained she would not be able to be present at commencement because she was going with a friend to the West Indies and would not be back

children, eight grandsons and one granddaughter. She lives in Petersburg, Va., at 32 S. Market Street.

*May Stratton Anderson* (Mrs. Edwin) lives in Staunton at 808 High Street. She has one son and one daughter. Both are married and her daughter *Jean Anderson Nicewander* '42 lives in Staunton.

## 1906

Sympathy is expressed to *Rossie Neel McClure* whose husband died in September. Mr. McClure was Treasurer for Augusta County, a position he had held for many years. Their one son lives in Charlottesville, Va.

## 1909

The Class of '09 had only one alumna present to celebrate its 50th reunion, *Ruth LaFelle Phipps* of Waynesboro, Va. A number of reunion questionnaires were returned, however, and the following news of this class is taken from them.

*Margaret Montague Bell Harman* lives at Bridgewater, Va., where her husband has a farm. Besides being a housewife, she is also a substitute teacher. She has two sons and two daughters, and it is

ginia. She wrote that four of their five children are living and they have ten grandchildren ranging in age from cradle to college.

*Victoria Kinnier Quick* lives in Lynchburg, Va., at 605 Washington Street. She had four sons and we are sorry to learn that only two of them are living. One is in Farmville, Va., and the other in Lynchburg.

*Ruth LaFelle Phipps* has seven children, five girls and two boys. Three of her daughters are married to Presbyterian ministers, one of whom is a missionary in the Belgian Congo, and her youngest son is a Presbyterian minister. He received his Ph. D. from St. Andrews in Scotland and is teaching at Davis and Elkins College in Elkins, W. Va. Her other son is a Colonel in the U. S. Army. Two of her daughters are Mary Baldwin graduates, Classes of '35 and '39, and they were both with her at commencement this year.

Mrs. Phipps has given us the address for *Florence Bunn*. It is 1509 Bellview Avenue, Richmond 27, Va.

*Dorothy Morrison Meade* (Mrs. James

A.) lives at 318 Thomas Avenue, Rochester 17, New York. She has one daughter and a 13-year-old granddaughter.

After her husband's retirement from his work as professor of Medieval History at the University of Minnesota, *Laura Lettie Smith Krey* and he have made their home in Austin, Texas, at 4203 Wilshire Parkway, "among old friends and my family."

They have a son and a daughter. Mrs. Krey is a writer and is at the present time completing work on a novel about Virginia.

*Henrietta Wilkins* is living in Pine Bluff, Arkansas, at 316 West 5th street. She is Assistant to the Manager of the W. J. Wilkins & Son cotton firm.



Margaret Montague Bell Harman '09.

## 1912

*Minnie Mansfield White* (Mrs. J. M.) visited the College in August while she was in Staunton as the guest of *Nelle Hiner* Yount. Mrs. White lives in Springfield, Ill., at 422 W. Capitol Avenue.

## 1914

Sympathy is expressed to *Lucy Bull Priest* (Mrs. Fenton) whose husband died this fall. Mrs. Priest lives in Norfolk, Va., at 903 Hanover Avenue.

## 1916

*Ida Bocock Smith*, who lives in Ronceverte, W. Va., visited the College in August.

## 1917

Christ Church, located at Irvington, Va., and built in 1732, is considered one of the nation's outstanding examples of 18th century architecture. E. A. Stephens of Irvington, who serves as president of the Foundation for Historic Old

Christ Church, Inc., is the husband of *Ann Lee Stephens*. Recently archeologists have uncovered the foundations of a 200-year-old brick wall which once surrounded the grounds, and Mr. Stephens reports that the Foundation will attempt to reconstruct the wall.

## 1919

*Rachel Griggs Westbrook* (Mrs. Edison C.) lives in Athens, Ga., at 150 McWhorter Drive. Her husband, an agronomist, is retired from the Extension Division of the University of Georgia. They have one daughter and three granddaughters.

*Virginia Silver Goode* lives in Winchester, Va., where her husband is a chemical engineer with the M. J. Grove Lime Co. Her address is 126 Peyton Street.

*Mabel Stott Gardner* (Mrs. W. L.) lives in Staunton at 20 Orchard Road. Her husband is an instructor at Augusta Military Academy. They have two daughters, one of whom is married.

## 1922

*Louise Hodges Hartzog's* daughter, Mary, is conducting a reading program at Stuart Hall in Staunton. Mary attended Randolph-Macon Woman's College for two years and was graduated in June from the University of North Carolina. A trained counselor, Mary was sent to Stuart Hall by the Reading Laboratory of New York, Philadelphia, and London. The reading program she will conduct is designed for average and better-than-average readers and is an integrated one of testing, instruction and practice for the purpose of bringing fundamental reading skills to a level of maximum efficiency.

## 1924

*Sarah Griffin Lewis* (Mrs. Edward) of Jackson, Miss., and her husband visited the College on their way to a meeting in Williamsburg, Va. He is in investment. They have two sons and two grandsons, 6 and 2.

## 1925

*Magdalene Roller Teufel* accepted last spring an appointment as associate professor in the school of Home Economics at the University of Delaware. Prior to that she had been teaching at Winthrop College in South Carolina.

## 1927

We express sympathy to *Margaret Bowen* whose mother died last spring. Margaret is on the faculty at Flora Macdonald College in North Carolina.

*Mary Campbell Patterson* Quincey of Douglas, Ga., visited the College in August. She has two daughters, one married and living in Charlottesville, the other studying in Sweden.

## 1928

Alumnae from the Class of '28 who were at the College at Commencement were *Virginia Leap* Durham of Roanoke, Va., *Clara Beery* McIlwraith of Richmond, Va., and *Carolyn Gochenour* England of Phillipsburg, New Jersey.

News from other members of the class, taken from the reunion questionnaires that were returned, is as follows:

*Mary Elizabeth Alexander* Rockwell lives in Glastonbury, Conn., at 184 Mountain Road. Her husband is Assistant Chief Design Engineer with Pratt and Whitney Aircraft Co. They have two sons, the oldest of whom is studying engineering at Worcester Polytechnic Institute. For the last few summers the Rockwells have had a cabin cruiser, and this past summer they were scheduled to go to Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket.

After her husband's death in 1957, *Clara Beery* McIlwraith spent the summer and winter with her sister in Richmond, and then during the spring visited friends in various parts of Europe. Last winter she took the full library science course at Madison College and is now certified as a school librarian.

*Elsie Carleton* Lawton lives in Miami, Fla., at 6510 N. W. Miami Place. She is an insurance agent for the New York Life Insurance Company. Her son is in the army, one daughter is at Washington College in Maryland, and the youngest daughter is in 9th grade and hopes to go to Mary Baldwin.

*Grace Friend* Lynn and her physician husband live in Petersburg, Va., at 701 Sunset Avenue. They have four children, three boys and a girl. The two older boys graduated from the U. of N. C., their father's alma mater. One finished Medical College of Virginia in 1958, and the other is in the dental school at the Medical College. Their daughter is registered at Mary Baldwin and hopes to enter in 1961.

*Lucile Gorin* Hughes writes that after 25 years as a social worker, she decided to complete her degree. This she has done with a major in English and Education and minor in History and Biology. She is teaching English, Biology, and Health at Brenau Academy in Gainesville, Ga. In the summer she lives at 302 W. Cedar Street, Franklin, Ky. She has one son and he is married.

*Louise Jackson* Stewart lives in Coral Gables, Fla., at 511 Loretto Avenue, Zone 46. She is Dean of Girls at the Coral Gables Senior High School.

*Virginia Leap* Durham and her family live in Roanoke at 3241 Ellsworth St., N. E. Her husband is Chief Clerk, General Stores Division of the Norfolk and Western Railway. They have two children, a son who is in the service in Germany, and a daughter who is a senior in high school. Virginia taught piano for fifteen years, and for the past five years has been doing homebound teaching for the city schools.

*Dorothy Miller* Campbell lives in Beth-





At the Alumnae Luncheon on June 6, honor was paid to three alumnae who were celebrating their 50th, 55th and 60th class anniversaries. Here Anne McClung, a member of the '59 graduating class and the daughter of an alumna, Elizabeth Holladay McClung '25, pins corsages on Gertrude Edmondson '99, Bessie Hoge Moffett '04, and Ruth LaVelle Phipps '09.

lehem, Pa., where her husband is in the dry cleaning business. Dorothy teaches Latin and Spanish. Her address is 1015 Beverly Avenue.

*Mary Moore Pancake* Mandeville lives in Buffalo, N. Y., at 174 Windsor Avenue, Zone 9. Her husband is District Manager for the Armstrong Cork Co. Mary Moore writes that she inherited a son and daughter and three grandchildren. This summer, she and her husband spent a month in Europe and visited Ted, Jr., who is with the State Department in Hamburg, Germany. They also traveled in Switzerland, Italy, Holland, visited Paris, then England, then home on a Jet.

*Mary Rutherford* Rose Mercer and her family live in Richmond, Va., at 4107 Exeter Road. Her husband has a rug cleansing and storage business. They have two children, one of each. Their daughter, Mary Rutherford, is a freshman at Mary Baldwin this year.

*Katherine Temple Walker* Lyle lives in Havre de Grace, Md. (Rt. 2, Quaker Bottom Rd.), where her husband, a mechanical engineer is with the Ballistics Research Laboratory at Aberdeen Proving Grounds. They have one daughter, Ellen, who is a member of the junior class at Mary Baldwin.

*Caroline Lee Wood* Sydnor writes that she is quite proud of her grandchildren and also of the fact that her daughter

decided to go back to school and graduate after five children! *Caroline Grey Sydnor* Haynes graduated in June from Wake Forest. Caroline and her husband live in Mt. Airy, N. C., Box 206, Country Club Road. He is a salesman with the Dixie Container Company of Richmond.

*Cecil Woodward* Hooton lives in Palm Beach, Fla., at 1161 North Lake Way. Her husband is a manufacturer's representative. They have one daughter, Nina, who is a junior at Goucher, majoring in biology.

*Sally Wright* Jordan writes that her first husband died in 1956, and she has remarried. Her husband is a retired farmer, and they live at 115 E. 8th Street, Louisville, Ga. She writes that he has six children who are all married and "we both enjoy 'our' 13 grandchildren." Sally was not able to come for commencement this year because she was leaving for a month's tour of Europe.

Sympathy is expressed to *Pauline Holinger* McCown of Lexington, Va., whose husband died in May. Mr. McCown, a graduate of Washington and Lee, had served, until his resignation in March because of ill health, as deputy clerk of the Circuit Court of Rockbridge County, a position to which he had been appointed in 1947.

*Virginia Lenore Bivens* lives in Ardmore, Okla., where she is an organist and

teaches piano. Her address is 721-D Street, N. W.

## 1929

In August, *Mary Garland Taylor* and her sister, *Charlotte Taylor* '33 were together in July for the first time in six months. They work in different states, and the occasion of their being together was the annual North Brazil Mission Meeting in Recife. Mary Garland wrote of the interesting celebrations that were held in August in every Presbyterian Church and congregation marking the one hundredth anniversary of the Brazilian Presbyterian Church. One goal of the centennial is that each church member win one person to Christ during the year, thus doubling the membership of the Presbyterian Church of Brazil.

## 1930

*Jean Anthony* Edmunds lives in Nanticoke, Pa. (22 Prince Street) and is proprietor of a floral shop. She and her husband, who was a Guidance Director, raised flowers in the summer at their place in the country for some of the florists in their town. After her husband's death three years ago, she attended a floral school and opened a small shop. In addition to this, she conducts two choirs at the Bethel Con-



gregational Church, so she is kept busy! On a trip to New York, she got in touch with Miss Wardle, former voice teacher at MBC. They had dinner and went to a show together.

*Elizabeth Hesser* is head librarian at Osterhout Library in Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

*Virginia Dickerson* Francisco returned to teaching six years ago, is teaching sixth grade. She, her husband, and 13-year-old son live on a farm near Staunton, and between her home, teaching and church work, Virginia doesn't have to wonder what to do with her time!

*Katherine Duff Powell* lives in Raleigh, N. C. (2806 Exeter Circle) where her husband is in private practice as a consulting engineer. They have two children, Tommy and Mary Katherine, called "Blossom." Tommy is married and until he received his country's call was associated with his father in business.

*B. Lewis* continues her work with the Board of Christian Education of the Presbyterian Church, serving as Director of the Field Program, Division of Church Relations. Her responsibility is to interpret the program of the Board of Christian Education and its services to the church. Richmond is home to her (4338 Chamberlayne Avenue, Zone 27), but actually she is away from there more than she is there, for her work requires her to travel about 65% of her time, throughout 16 states.

*Jean Lucas Moran* lives in a suburb of Philadelphia—2025 MacLarie Lane, Broomall, Pa., and she gave her telephone number in hopes Mary Baldwin friends will call her if they live or are visiting in that area—ELgin 6-5706. Her husband is an engineer with the National Park Service, and she is "homemaker, sometime bookkeeper, and new, proud grandmother." They have two sons, and one grandchild, a little girl not quite a year old.

*Midge Moore Nixon* lives in Jacksonville, Fla., where her husband is the Episcopal priest at St. John's Cathedral. They live on the St. John's River on a gorgeous 29-acre estate left to St. John's some 40 years ago, and she says they are quite spoiled with a fishing dock out front, a beautiful view of the city from their bluff, a screened pavilion with enclosed barbecue pit and a junior Olympic size swimming pool—"a millionaire's setup," she calls it, "minus the millionaire's income, of course!" The Nixon's have five children, three sons and two daughters, their ages ranging from 12 to 29. They also have three grandchildren, two girls, one blonde, one brunette, and one red headed boy, all with blue eyes.

*Marshall Penick Wiltshire* and her husband, a retired U. S. Army Colonel, live in Lexington, Va., at 504 Jackson Avenue.

*Rebecca Price*, who lives in Pasadena, Cal., at 1768 Casa Grande, is still teaching at Fuller Theological Seminary, her third year of teaching from a wheelchair.

Formerly a school teacher, *Elizabeth Withers Glascock* lists her present occupation as homemaker. She and her family live in Summit Point, W. Va., where her husband is cashier in the bank and also a dairyman. They have one daughter, Betty Lee, who is 16.

*Evelyn Baker Arey* and her husband celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary at Chenanceaux, France, and she writes that the beautifully lighted chateau with music and dialogue which they stood in the rain to see was a wonderful way to celebrate. She wrote as follows: "I realize that such a trip is a common occurrence these days, but we had been planning this for years . . . We left New York after spending the day with *Mary Edgar Hebbard Parmelee* and her husband. It helped me to have them put me

on that jet, as I am still of the school of thought that ships and trains are the way to travel. We drove through the chateau country after several days in Paris and on to Switzerland where we visited friends in Gstaad . . . Golf in Badin Badin, Germany, and a trip down the Rhine. Flew from Paris to Glasgow where friends met us. After ten days in Scotland and seven golf courses, we headed for England. Somehow we were blessed with weather and only had one short rain . . . In Carlisle we had tea with the Pen Pal of my Susan. Susan wrote to her from the fifth grade on (Susan now has three children), and we felt that this was a very special treat—both for Dorothy and us. She was teaching school, but I imagine not too many of her associates had friends from Minnesota drop by. After several days in London, and a visit to 'My Fair Lady,' we sailed home on a slow Dutch boat and I loved every minute of that. It was good to be home and wonderful to see children and grandchildren at the airport."

1931

Class Secretary: *Elizabeth Crawford ENGLE* (Mrs. R. M.), 147 York Street, Chester, S. C.

Dear Class of '31:

When I last wrote I was preparing to go to Scotland with my family for the summer months. When I read the published letter that I wrote to you in the last alumnae magazine, I was in Lyons, France! No, the copy was not forwarded to me there but we were visiting in the home of a French Fulbright scholar who had been at Mary Baldwin three years ago with our daughter Betty! Small world and a wonderful one when such a common bond as MBC can work all the grand things out that this friendship



The Class of '34 held their reunion dinner at Beverley Hills. Pictured here are: (standing) Catherine Zimmerman Kriete, Kathryn Little Weaver, Becky Morrison Gullander, Mrs. Grafton, the class sponsor, Carolyn Gochenour England '29, Elizabeth Burns '29; (seated) Susan Hoge, Julia Gooch Richmond, Mary Lou McCutcheon Parker, and Caroline Caldwell Leith.



did for us. But I am getting ahead of myself.

We left Chester in time to be at MBC for graduation and to see one senior married in First Presbyterian, Staunton. *Gwen Kennedy* was married to Willie Neville shortly after she received her degree.

From Staunton we went to Hinton, W. Va., where we saw our niece, *Ann Kennedy*, '57, married to Julius Melton. No doubt elsewhere in these pages there will be an account of this wedding and of the fact that they are now studying at the University of Geneva after spending the summer studying French at Cannes! They came to Greenock, Scotland, on the *Empress of England* and we met them there and introduced them to our part of Europe.

Before leaving Virginia, we had dinner with *Elizabeth Hume Carr* '28, in Winchester and were present at the first sermon preached by her newly-ordained Episcopal minister son!

For months we had tried to make plans for all our route and were thrilled to find out that we could pay a long-anticipated visit to *Betty Smith Norton* in Riverside, Conn. before boarding the plane. What a wonderful treat that was! To see her beautiful home and her lovely family and to have the delicious trout, caught by her husband Vic, cooked perfectly and looking as pretty as it tasted, was a long-to-be-remembered evening of happiness. After dinner we were surprised by an unexpected visit from our exchange Scottish pastor who arrived at Betty's laundryroom door! This certainly let them in on all our summer's plans in a most unplanned way. Also, visiting them that evening was a Mary Baldwin girl who lived close by and whom our daughter Betty had known at college . . . *Pamela How*, '62.

The following day we were entertained at the Yacht Club at lunch and learned what an excellent sailor Betty Norton is. She has had her own craft for some time and is quite a navigator by anyone's compass! It seems she is a fisher-lady and a huntress, too! Yes, she's as dainty and petite as ever, which makes all this seem the more remarkable. We did our last weighing and repacking in her garage for we were flying economy class, to be sure. Then, in her roomy station wagon, she took us to Idlewild where we bid her goodbye. We don't dare think of what our introduction to the International Airport and many other New York spots would have been like without her.

Mary Baldwin did not have any particular connection with the rest of our Scottish trip except that I wished many times I had taken at MBC, good courses in art appreciation and European history. We were located near Paisley and Glasgow in western Scotland where the hills are more beautiful than anywhere else. Our home was situated in part of an old castle's grounds, and we had in our congregation a cross section of Scotland's varying strata of society. It was quite a

remarkable experience. Our girls had a "fabulous" time with the young people of the village and surrounding countryside.

Mary Baldwin did pop back into the picture when we got to Stratford-on-Avon for Betty spotted a senior classmate in the "cross" there. There were loud squeals, and senior rings were placed side-by-side. *Meryl Richardson* '60 and three friends were on their last lap of a hobo trip to Europe. They were headed for Scotland in a rented convertible Morris Minor. When we realized that they were going toward our manse

#### DO YOU HAVE A MCGUFFEY READER?

In the last issue of the magazine, we requested copies of McGuffey Readers for a collection to be displayed in the new library. Dr. McGuffey, of the University of Virginia, helped Miss Baldwin in the reorganization of the Mary Baldwin curriculum, so this collection would be an appropriate one for us to have. In reply to our request, we have received several copies but others are still needed. If you have a copy or copies and would be willing to give them to the College, please send them to the Alumnae Office. We will be most grateful to receive them.

at Lochwinnoch, we made arrangements for them to stay there overnight. They inherited our superior housekeeper and a momentarily discarded boyfriend or two.

On we went to London where we had hoped to have a reunion of MBC alums who live nearby or in the city. Hannah Campbell had given us names and addresses to help us make contact in hopes that we could reunite the gals and tell them about what is going on at MBC today. Sad to say, they were too widely scattered and too busy for this and so we got nowhere with this project. My Betty had carried under her arm all the way to Scotland and then to London an early copy of *Love in the Mist* by *Rosalie Packard Digby-Seymour* '46, which she hoped would be autographed for posterity. It was carried home again, unautographed, for time in London became very full and exciting and we failed to make contact with Mrs. Seymour.

Ever since *Nicole Chervier* '57 visited us in South Carolina three Easters ago, we had hoped to reciprocate by seeing her "at home." Having made contact

with her during the winter, we found that she is engaged to a very fine and handsome mineralogist whom she met in an elevator in New York but who came from Lyon, her hometown! Jerry is doing his stint with the French army at Fontainebleau, and they are waiting until after he is out to be married. Nicole met us in Paris, after seeing Jerry at Fontainebleau. We rented a Citroën for a week and were most grateful that Nicole could be there to interpret all the business details for us.

We visited Notre Dame with Nicole as our guide and then headed for Orleans and Bourges where we saw beautiful formal gardens. Cutting across country we travelled for 300 miles to Lyons. We spent our nights at the Chervier's apartment and our days seeing that part of France. We visited her ancestral home in the country where the family spends the summers. We had dinner with her lovely dark-haired mother and her vivacious, widely read father. The quiet, petite, sprightly grandmother prepared the delicious many-coursed meal. Jerry was there, also, to help us enjoy it.

The Cherviers and Jerry's family took turns in entertaining us and in piloting us around to the most fascinating places little seen by ordinary tourists. We had lunch by the River Loirette in a sidewalk café where people rode their bicycles between tables to get on down the road. Another day we had lunch and a swim at a lake in the French Alps. I tried to use long-idle French taught me by Mademoiselle Flansburgh, or at least to understand enough to catch the general subject under discussion. It was good for me but hard on the old brain!

Had we not known Nicole, we would never have attempted our trip in south-central France. We are grateful both to the people who made it possible for her to study at MBC and to her keen alertness in taking advantage of Southern hospitality. It was in her town apartment that we found the *Mary Baldwin Alumnae Bulletin* and it stayed in the car with us in order to catch snatches of reading time whenever she or Betty or I could find a minute. These two younger Mary Baldwin enthusiasts exchanged constant news items of their own on the status quo of all 1956-57 inhabitants of the Staunton campus. Nicole had seen and heard from other girls as had Betty. When we left her, she expected to come to the States again, after her marriage, because Jerry hopes to have a position over here for awhile.

We returned to Scotland for a week before flying to the States. Our two daughters spent one day at MBC on the way home, getting the *Campus Comments* room ready for back-to-college days. They were in Chester for three days of scurrying to get clothes in order, and then returned to MBC to let Betty greet new-comers and put out the welcoming copy of *Campus Comments*. Peggy entered as a freshman.

This is far from a news report on our '31 "family." I am sorry that I could not take time to glean more news about



people you know directly. My main reason for writing this at all is to show how many wonderful experiences were ours this summer due to contacts made in different cras at Mary Baldwin. My father used to tell me that his most rewarding dividends from college days at W. & L. were the friends that he made and kept. This is surely true of us all.

Won't you who have not written us in some years, sit down today and let us know whom you've seen, what you've done, how you are? We want very much to keep up with you and in some way we have failed to reach a number of you. Who knows but that I (or you) may start on another trip soon and nothing would please us more than to visit with each other! MBC is "in our blood" and it surely pays to keep close with our Mary Baldwin "relatives" of all generations.

*Elizabeth Crawford ENGLE*

P. S. I forgot to say that at the American Express in Paris, Betty ran into an alumna, *Suzie Stirling*, a '59 graduate, and a present student, *Bev Grear* '61. In York, England, we found *Moselle Palmer* '50, Physical Education professor at Salem College. MBC really has its quota of travelling gals these days!

#### NEWS RECEIVED IN THE ALUMNAE OFFICE:

*Alma Garrison* Dismukes writes that her oldest son, after serving in the army, resumed his study at Tennessee Tech. He is married, as is her daughter Susan Elizabeth. Susan Elizabeth received her degree from Peabody College. Alma's other daughter, Carrie, graduated this year from U. of Miss. and spent the summer in Europe. Alma's husband is Judge of the Juvenile Court of Sumner County and also a farmer. She, besides being a housewife, is now a florist and the shop is named "Country Gardens Florist."

*Laura Martin Jarman* Rivera and her family are living in Ankara, Turkey, where her husband, Rodolfo, is Director of the Turkish-American Association. This association has as its purpose the promotion of understanding between Turks and Americans, the strengthening of friendship and cultural relations between the two countries through a better acquaintance with their languages, customs, culture, and problems. In April of this year an exhibition of Laura Martin's art work was presented at the Association. It included oils, water-colors, and drawings. She was trained at the Concord School of Art and has studied privately with various artists, among them Sheik Ahmed, Edmund Archer, Richard Lahey, and Eliot O'hara, author of many well-known books and films on water color.

#### 1933

On August 14, *Margaret Grabill* was married to David D. Jones of Madison, Va. He is principal of the Madison County Consolidated School. Margaret received her master's degree in education at Madison College on August 13.

Sympathy is expressed to *Louise Randall Brooks* whose father died in October.

#### 1936

Class Secretary: *JANET Duthie HOFF* (Mrs. Elbridge), 265 Boston St., Guilford, Conn.

The long hot summer proved to be just to much for this class secretary, so the cards soliciting news just didn't get out. Many thanks to the few of you who answered my last-minute notes by return mail with news of yourself and others.

*Ora Ehmling* Ehmann reported last spring on the gala alumnae dinner the Wilmington and Philadelphia Clubs had at the duPont Country Club in Wilmington. She sent news of "Hats" Schofield McLaughlin's illness. She had had a long seige in the hospital last winter after having been operated on for a ruptured appendix, but was well on the road to recovery. Ora and her husband, Neville, spent two months abroad in the spring. They sailed in May, touring the continent by car, train and plane, visiting many exciting places in Italy, Switzerland, and France. After touring and antiquing in England, they flew home by jet.

*Julia Forsythe* Barr's note tells us, "Besides being the proudest grandmother in Allentown (her daughter has one child, and her son has two) I am also district manager of Cort Cosmetics and still active in Girl Scouts." Julia and her husband, Frank, recently celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary. Their youngest child, Julia Alice is in 10th grade. She and Julia both enjoy playing the organ which the Barrs have in their home.

*Helen Wade* Dantzer's son, Keitt, is a freshman at Clemson College, beginning a course in architecture. Helen, her husband, and their three young daughters had just returned from a week-end in Augusta. They had seen *Sarah Dyess* Ewing, who was well and busy with her family.

"Ginny" Crawford Poteet's oldest son graduated from Washington and Lee in June and has begun his service in the Army. Her daughter was married in July. Our sincere sympathy goes to Virginia whose mother passed away last February.

*Nancy Wallace* Henderson and *Jane Dewey* vacationed together at Blowing Rock. Nancy says, "We somehow got each other on horses for a ride or two, and found it not bad, after all these years 'a pied.'" Nancy's son, Bill, a 16-year-old violinist, won a scholarship to Transylvania Music Camp, given by the North Carolina Federation of Music Clubs. Then, the Camp gave him a second one to stay and play in the Festival after camp ended. Nancy has every reason to be very proud of the young musician.

*Jane Shaler* is now living at 1130-20th Street, Santa Monica, California. How about a line of news, Jane?

*Betty Vincent* McMullen, whose husband is pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in Columbia, Mo., and at present, president of the Missouri Council of Churches, has three daughters. Mary, the eldest, a junior in high school, is a cellist, who plays in the University Orchestra and solos at various functions. Betsy, who is in sixth grade, is studying piano and violin. Kathy, the youngest, is only two, so she hasn't begun to study a musical instrument. Betty is hoping to get to M.B.C. for our class reunion in '61 unless Mary's graduation from high school conflicts with it.

The following is a list of members of the class of '36 who are "Lost." If any of you know the present address of any one on the list, would you kindly send it to me or the alumnae office. *Harriet Reed* Caldeleugh, *Sybil Ashby* Erickson, *Audrey Curran*, *Hazel Henderson* Johnson, *Barbara Jett* Riber, *Martha Jordan* Robinson, *Jennie Levie*, *Mary Elizabeth Lewellen*, *Nina Martin* Laneaux, *Jeanne Menager*, *Helen Sheldon* Taggart, and *Anna Adele* Speed.

Hoping for more news for the next issue, and sending best wishes to you all,

Sincerely,

JANET

#### 1937

Class Secretary: *VIRGINIA Gantt KENDIG* (Mrs. Perry F.), 114 College Ave., Salem, Va.

*Jane Hindman* Dickey writes that she will be moving from Columbus, O., to the Washington, D. C., area. Her husband, Bob, received a promotion to the Auditing Section of the Quartermaster General's Office in Washington.

*Julia Epes* Hardy is living in Richmond and writes that she is visiting teacher and counselor at John Marshall High School. Her son, Allen Watts Staples, Jr., is going to Christ Church. The oldest of her husband's sons is in his second year at VMI, and the youngest boy is at Thomas Jefferson High School.

*Janis Holley* Johnston's son is a freshman at Northwestern, majoring in journalism. Her daughter Judy, who is 15, stayed home while Janis took Bill to the University and took full charge of the house. Judy is on the Jr. Varsity Hockey Team and is a Jr. cheer leader.

*Janet Holley* was visiting Janis at the time she wrote, and Janis tells us that Janet won three firsts in the State of Indiana for her Americanism program.

To *Elizabeth Thomas* Kirtley we wish to express our sympathy in the death of her husband last January. He had been the manager of the Staunton Dr. Pepper Bottling Company for 20 years. Elizabeth and her two sons live on a farm outside of Staunton. The older of the boys is a junior in high school and the younger is in seventh grade.

*Meta Bertschy* Lasch writes: "The crops in—vacation is over, and kindergarten has started for Meta Marlaine



(born May 1, 1954) so you can see I'm kept busy . . ."

*Janet Lambert* Lookadoo and her eight-year-old daughter, Ann, live in Richmond, Va., during the school year. Their summers are spent in Clarkston, Michigan, visiting Ann's grandmother, Mrs. Lambert. This past summer Ann accomplished the feat of swimming, unaided, across the lake on which their Clarkston home is located.

*Helen Craig* Meek and her husband celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary on the 23rd of September. Their oldest son is a freshman at West Virginia University. On October 3rd, Helen represented Mary Baldwin in the inauguration of the president of the University.

*Patty Joe Mahony* Montgomery's daughter, Roberta, is a sophomore at Mary Baldwin. Patty Joe has visited Roberta from time to time, and she writes: "It is still our M.B.C. but with the natural improvements which occur over twenty years."

*Alice Gilkeson* Simpkins writes: "If you have seen the September 12th *Saturday Evening Post* cover you almost have a graphic description of this old gal at the moment—the only thing is our 2-year-old would have that luscious coffee tray knocked skew-bias in less time than it takes mamma to kick off her shoes!" Alice and Roberta Vance Homer visited this summer while Roberta, her son, and her husband were in Staunton with her folks.

*Jane Jeffreys* Stephani vacationed in Europe again this summer. They flew both ways, were in Iron Curtain countries almost two weeks, Russia when Nixon was there, Poland (Warsaw) and Prague. "It was really a thrill to finally land in Zurich for a week in free Switzerland and then six days burning the candle at both ends in Paris." Jane, her 2 girls and 2 boys, spent a week at Virginia Beach with her sister *Flo Jeffrey* Wingo '40 and her two boys. In February Jane and her husband plan to go to India, flying both ways.

*Barbara Johnson* von Reis's sons, John 15 and Charles 13, visited Mary Baldwin this summer with their grandparents on a trip from Washington and Williamsburg. She reports they were most impressed with the large pool table as well as the beautiful buildings. Barbara's daughters are Evelyn and Barbie, 11 and 7. A wonderful summer was had by all.

Bonney Kirkland has remarried, is now Mrs. Lewis Wetzler. Her husband, who is on the faculty of the University of Alabama, is a native of Arizona and has his doctorate in history from the University of California. His daughter is a junior in the Medical College of Alabama. Bonney's daughter, Vicki, will graduate from high school in 1960 and hopes to enter Mary Baldwin that fall.

*Isabelle Maitland* Wiley is serving as a member of the Board of Women's Work of the Presbyterian Church, U. S. Her son, Shannon, is a junior at Davidson College.

*Jean Holliday* was elected to serve as president of the alumnae group in Charlottesville, Va.

## 1938

*Merylen Bailey* Smith is a pediatrician and practices in Bluefield, W. Va. She recently attended the Institute in the Care of Premature Infants held at the New York Hospital-Cornell Medical Center. She was one of two official representatives from West Virginia.

## 1939

Class Secretary: *Elizabeth Gronmeyer* WISE (Mrs. Harry), 1830 Loudon Road, Charleston, W. Va.

Reunion time for the class of '39. I won't say the year—reminds us of our age. Now is the time to put our thro's into action and make those plans more definite. Can you honestly say to yourself, I would love to come—to see how well we've aged, to see the campus and all the new beautiful work that is being done that we have worked so hard for in the past few months in our development drive, to compare notes over a few cups of coffee on life, love, schools, suburbia, etc., etc.

My own feeling about college years is one of greater appreciation now than during the immediate post grad period when love and learning was all too overshadowed with joys of concomitant drudgeries of new motherhood. Most of us are over the hump. Where is life going from here? Maybe June's reunion will change its course.

*Virginia Worth* Gonder and *Kitty Williams* Robinson sent word through Mt. Airy girls that they were coming up to join us in June. *Picky Foy* Hennis and *Beverly Bivens* Olive, whom I have just spent a delightful week end with are coming too. *Shirley Keelgar* Williamson writes she is coming from New York, as is *Anita Malugani*. *Margaret (Johnny)* Johnston Evans and *Margaret Caldwell* Herndon as well as *Nancy Eskridge* have said they would definitely be there.

I'm counting on all the Spartanburg girls, *Betty Cleveland* Cobb, *Shirley Black* Barre, *Frances Jennings* Cannon and *Epsi Fuller* Nolan.

*Harriet Low* Brown of Bridgeport, W. Va., and *Pauline Osborn* Crawford of Ashland, Ky., are planning to come as well as *Hazel Astin* Buchanan all the way from Texas. I am so in hopes she will be able to persuade the other Texas girls to come too. She and I had such a wonderful time two years ago when we were there together that we feel it is worth another trip.

There are so many girls that live quite near to Staunton that I know could come. There's *Barbara Baker* Richardson in Hampton, Va.; *Billie Bussey* in Stuarts Draft; *Blanche Campbell* Lewis in Halifax, Va.; *Marcia Gooch* Johnston, *Ann Snively* Simmons and *Brame Profit* Spessard from Roanoke; *Jean Foster* Mitchell from Lynchburg, Va.; *Sarah Jones* Wright from Deswell, Va.; *Mil-*

*dred Lapsley* from Alexandria; *Marguerite Latham* Clemmer from Dayton, Va. *Margaret Shields* Boyer and *Katherine Moffet* Smith have sent word that they will be with us.

Will *Francis Rue* Godwin be able to come all the way from Phoenix, Ariz., as she planned last year? Will our beautiful May Queen, *Lib Banner* Hudgins be there?

Let's make this one of the biggest reunions M.B.C. has ever had and show them how much we love our alma mater. Miss Latimer, our beloved class sponsor will be on hand as well as Dr. Grafton with his tabulations and findings on the questionnaires that you answered this past year. That should make for some good reading.

*Betty Gronmeyer* WISE  
(Mrs. Harry L.)

NEWS RECEIVED IN THE ALUMNAE OFFICE:

*Adelaide Theresa McCormick* received her master's degree in Social Work from Tulane School of Social Work in June of this year.

*Marine Dunlap* McIntyre and her family live in Clio, S. C., where her husband, a farmer and businessman, is in his second year as Mayor of the town. In a newspaper interview, he remarked, "We may not have the largest town, but we certainly make a bid for having one of the oldest." Located near the state line between North and South Carolina, the town of Clio dates back to 1730 and has a population of 850. The McIntyres have three children, Dewitte Gray 14, Bernette 11, and Melinda 3.

## 1940

Class Secretary: *Emma Padgett* FITZHUGH, (Mrs. E. P.), 19 Shirley Road, Newport News, Va.

If you have not already done so, please begin at once to skip just a little on groceries every week and put aside what you can manage to hold back to insure your journey back to Mary Baldwin about the end of May. Only once in a lifetime can we get together for a twentieth year reunion and we just can't afford to miss such a glorious occasion. All sorts of wonderful plans are being made for us; there will be very thrilling new sights to greet us; many of the same faculty members will be there just a little more distinguished with a bit of grey added; and what better way is there to step out of Time?

*Barbara Payne* Webster writes, "I saw *Frankie Moose* Jennings last summer. Had a grand time. She hasn't changed a bit. In three minutes we were chatting away as though we had seen each other every week."

*Pea Wee Van Atta* Derr's husband received his Ph.D. in physics last June from Johns Hopkins University and has accepted a position with Martin Aircraft to do research in Solid State Physics. Their new address is 219 North Lakeland Street, Orlando, Florida, where the four little Derrs live with a very busy Mother and Daddy.

Margaret Wardlaw Gilbert from Princeton: "I'm getting terribly excited at the thought of reunion. Shirley Fleming Iben and I are definitely coming, and many more of our class say they hope to make it. Last spring when Harry Lou Johnson Gurtler was in New York, we had a wonderful time at lunch with Mamie Thomas Walker, Bettina Hull Sparks, Marjorie Tobin Burke, and Camille Anderson Jensen, '41. We talked so hard for two hours that, on the fifty-five mile ride back to Princeton, I didn't communicate with my dear husband once! We will be at Princeton for one more year. I'm teaching at Miss Fine's again (lower school music) and Allison is in second grade. Will see you in June, hope Hazzie will be there too. Mrs. Grafton suggested that we all stay together in Hilltop. I told her that Shirley and I were planning to stay at the hotel, but she says the underclassmen no longer stay for commencement, so, we can all gang up in a dorm." Sounds like much more fun for us all to be together, doesn't it? I'm for that! Let's start making reservations.

Harriet Houston Donaldson stays busy with her twin girls, Tucker (husband), the annual League Art Show, Peninsula Orchestra membership drive, and church activities. In October she flew up to Rochester, N. Y., for a visit with her sister and family, then they drove down to New York City for a few days. Hazzie and Almeyda Spratley Peyton had a glorious day at Virginia Beach last summer, catching up on all the recent happenings.

Molly Wagener Rice didn't write a letter (not for some time, in fact), but she has the rare distinction of being the wife of the Presbyterian minister who wrote the study book for the Women of the Church for 1960, *Let There Be Light*, just off the press. Molly, please tell J. Sherrod that it's mighty exciting to see that name in big print and to read the nice things being said about it. Can hardly wait to get my copy. Hardy congratulations!

(Editor's Note: After November, Molly and Sherrod will be "at home" in Columbia, S. C., where he has accepted a call to the First Presbyterian Church).

Ethelyn Jones Maxwell has a new address: 3300 Oriole Drive, Louisville, Ky., but the new house is only a few blocks from where they have been living, "so there won't be any changes in church, schools or friendships. It's a six-bedroom, three-bath, three-story red brick colonial house. All the children are well and busy, one in high school, one in junior high, two in grade school, and two at home. Didn't get to Montreat this summer, so didn't see any of the old gang there. Did see Sarah Hannah, she was fine, still librarian at Arvon High School." Eth was our senior president, you remember, and will be our ring-leader at reunion. Hope Dr. Maxwell is making plans to take over that big, busy family and let you come. We're counting on you, Eth.

Hadn't talked to my ole roommate for so long, just called Florence Jeffrey Wingo the other day to get some news of her. She, the two youngsters and Charlie are fine. They went out to visit sister Jane last summer, and Janie Holman Edwards, '39 had them over for lunch. (They are living in the Chicago area.) Flossie, Almeyda and Monroe Ainsworth Tabb are all in Richmond and Hazzie and I plan to pick them up for the reunion. Alice Jones Thompson, please plan to be in Richmond then, not in Texas, so you can go too.

Forgive me for not getting cards to each of you this time. Never did get near the end of the list, for other duties crowded out correspondence. Do one of you want to take over as class secretary for awhile? It really is fun and someone else wants a turn, no doubt, but 'til you volunteer, I'll keep on. You'll be hearing from someone before long about reunion dates and plans. Write to your chums and make your plans. You'll always be so glad you went back, and remember, this is once in a lifetime! There will be so much going on that it won't even matter if you don't return with your closest friends. You'll know everyone and you'll love just being there.

#### 1941

Mireille Kester Thompson was recently elected secretary-treasurer of the Palmetto Section of the Illuminating

Engineering Society and also was appointed to the Board of Examiners of that society. Mireille is employed by General Electric at Hendersonville, N. C., where her husband, a former professor of electrical engineering at VPI, is a design engineer.

To Dorris Withers McNeal we express sympathy in the death of her 15-month-old son. Dorris' address is Mrs. Horace P. McNeal, Abingdon Road, Bay Colony, Virginia Beach, Va.

#### 1942

Class Secretary: Marion Elsdon Ryder (Mrs. James P.) Evergreen, Colo.

Hello again, Centennials, (and hey to those who originated south of the Mason-Dixon line.):

A classic letter arrived from Betty McGrath Anthony just a month late to mention in the last bulletin which featured loyal Miss Fannie on the cover. (Wasn't that a nice picture? It shows how older people remain the same; whereas we age to catch up with them past 22.) At Ann Arbor, Betty has been doing publication drawings for curators and doctoral students. These range from detailed pen and inks of fish specimens to wash drawings of partial denture construction. The latter work has helped Betty's husband at the University of Michigan prepare a textbook on dental materials. To quote Betty: "I can't help but think of Dr.

## In Memoriam

Mary Tapscott Paxton '78, October 14.

Emma Byers Kiracofe '84, July 29.

Mary Verner Strother '90, April 28.

Lillie Ellis Emerson '85, September 12.

Lizzie Willis Van Meter '86.

Jennie Points Ott '86, April 14.

Antoinette Rotan Peterson '87.

Ruth Tredway Whitehead '95, December 13, 1958

Annie Rice Hawkins Swann '96, February 12.

Loretta Walter '99, July 26.

Nina Ravenscroft Smith '00.

Hill Miller Carter Lucas '04, May 7.

Norma Lindsay Faville '06, April 24.

Louise Rawlings Wilson '10, April 25.

Katherine Effinger Ware '10, July 7.

Blanche Leebrick Lewis '11, August 5.

Lucille Brister DeCell '14, May 1.

Mary F. Wilson Wallace '19.

Mary Fretwell Young '22, June 18.



Thomsen and wonder if she wouldn't be proud of the results, in spite of the long road travelled to come back to art in biology." *Emaline McGrath* Graham '44 has moved to Stratford, Conn., from California. The sisters have built houses on almost identical acreages. Betty's colonial overlooks a lake from a five-sided hillside. It is nestled under lovely big oaks and maples. Recently at a Grosse Pointe MBC luncheon, near Detroit, Betty saw *Roberta Billups* Scott who "hasn't changed even one little bit."

John Walls Hewitt celebrated his 1st year on Washington's birthday with his four brothers. We freshmen remember their mother as *Rachael Smith* Hewitt. *Byrd Harris* Martin also cuts cake the same day. It is a thrill to announce that one of our pets in the McClung crowd *Nell Abbott* has been married to Mr. Earl Emery, Jr., of Newnan, Ga. Belated good wishes for your journey through life, Nell.

Here are four new addresses of interest: *Dee Dee Embleton* Crichton, long resident of West Virginia, now lives at Larchmont, N. Y.; *Betty Bailey* Hall has moved within the Houston city limits; *Ashlin Bleight* Scheffler has traded Ohio for Indiana; and *Susie Hudson* MacLeod is gracing Lumberton, N. C., on the same street as *Mary Lib Caldwell* Biggs. Please excuse my mentioning the same item about *Jane Wilson* Kahn in the past two issues—changes in the office file got me a bit off base. Actually Jane merely changed streets within Los Angeles.

During summer I was at Yellowstone Park and Flathead Lake. It was good fortune to escape the quake by five days.

Those of you who would like to take a world tour in an armchair could obtain a copy of *The Innocent Ambassadors* by Philip Wylie. A few of the words are not refined enough for my taste; yet the ideas are the essence of education and human kindness. Certain types of churchgoers would frown upon the whole thing; others would applaud.

#### NEWS RECEIVED IN THE ALUMNAE OFFICE:

During the summer, *Leslie Syron* was a delegate to the International Federation of University Women's Convention which was held in Helsinki, Finland.

*Nancy Adair* Delano visited the College during the summer while she was attending a meeting of Presbyterian Women at Massanetta, Va.

Sympathy is expressed to *Mary Morris Blakely* Sorrells in the tragic death of her 9-year-old son, Hunter Blakely Sorrells. Hunter was accidentally shot by a playmate. *Mary Morris'* address is Mrs. John H. Sorrells, Jr., 3846 Norriswood Road, Memphis, Tenn.

*Janet Dudley* Danby and her family are living in The Netherlands and will be there for three years. Janet's husband, Spence, is an engineer with du-

Pont. They have four daughters, the oldest of whom will be ready for college in '62.

*Janet Werner* Harris has been living in Tulsa, Okla., for over five years. Her husband is an attorney for an oil company. They have one son, Steve, who was 11 in October. She writes: "I'm sorry I haven't a daughter to send to MBC, but I have a bunch of nieces who get the MBC treatment from me!"

#### 1943

Class Secretary: *Julia Monroe McCabe*, (Mrs. John W., Jr.), Old Landing Rd., Yorktown, Va.

It's good to have news of *Juliann Kelly* Aussicker after all these years. She stays busy with three boys and a girl. "The three little ones love golf—tennis—swimming. I stay on the road between the club, home and grandmother's. Two days a week I bowl—have cup to prove same. I'm sure I could go on for pages and never cover the past 16 years. They have been wonderful. It has been magic—all started in MBC Red Parlor."

This news is only a year overdue—and my apologies to *Betty Johnson* Mix. She wrote me last fall, but her letter arrived too late for the fall deadline. Somehow or other it stuck to an envelope which I overlooked last spring. However, better late than never so I'll share her note with you. "Kathy has started high school, so considers herself a teenager—woe is me! Tina is in first-year Girl Scouts, and violin-playing Becca has started Brownies and is lively as a cricket. Barby is a true 2½ year old—into everything. Mixer has been commanding officer of OP 19 for a year." Betty wrote this from Alameda, Calif. She is living in Arlington, Va., now.

Unless you send me news our class will fade out of the bulletin. I haven't the time to contact each and every one twice a year which should be done. I'll be most grateful if some one would volunteer to. Jack is starting into a new business this year—air conditioning, heating, plumbing and water softeners. Starting from scratch, so I'm learning how to be a secretary, typist, "phone answerer," etc. We are enthusiastic over it and needless to say working sixteen hours a day. Barbara is in second grade—became a Brownie this week so believes she is grown up now . . . also taking ballet. I've begun helping with Girl Scouts this and am looking forward to learning quite a bit. Don't forget to send me some news of you and your families.

Til spring—

Julia McCabe

#### NEWS RECEIVED IN THE ALUMNAE OFFICE:

*Lucy Bryan* Philpott lives in Omaha, Neb., and her husband, Jimmie, is a colonel in SAC. They have three daugh-

ters, Louisa 13, whom Lucy hopes will be coming to Mary Baldwin in 1963, Susan 9, and Jamie 5.

*Ada Butler* Arthur has been working in the Office of Admissions and Registrar at Teachers College of Connecticut "as a combination receptionist, transcript clerk, grade-poster, letter writer, and about everything else in connection with assisting a Registrar."

#### 1944

Class Secretary: *Mildred Mohan* LOMBARD (Mrs. Forest R.) 2135 Elgin Rd., Columbus 21, Ohio.

This is a most enjoyable task I have undertaken (what fun to hear from all of you) and I hope to contact the whole class before the next spring Bulletin. However, if you have news, please don't wait for me to write you, just shoot it along.

After twelve years of being a Long Island into New York commuting family, we are living in Columbus and loving it. We are going on our third year here and are still amazed at the fifteen-minute drive from suburban house to my husband's office in the heart of town. Forest and I have two children, Susan, our twelve-year-old daughter (who considers herself at least 15) and our ten-year-old sports crazy son, who incidentally is almost as good as he thinks he is. We have had many golf games together and he usually beats me.

I want to thank all of you who wrote on such short notice. Please, the rest of you, dash off a line or two which I can save for the spring Bulletin. *Jodie Hannah* Holt, as you may have noticed has been made an Alumnae Trustee and I can't think of anyone who would make a better one. Her husband is teaching Electrical Engineering and they (with their four children—ages 11 to 3) are about to move into a new house. Jodie sent us *Nat Lemon* Buschmann's address and reports that she, husband and two children moved to New York from Atlanta about a year ago. *Ann Jordan* Bast says "I seem to stay busy with 2-year-old Jed, a five bedroom house and all that goes with being a parson's wife." *Frances Fulton* Culpepper and her family have just moved into a new home. They have five children, three girls and two boys. *Virginia Davis* Hall is kept busy with her almost grown-up family; one son a senior in high school, another a junior in high school, and a seventh grade son and a fifth grade daughter. They had a nice vacation last spring in the Virgin Islands. *Laura McManaway* Andrews is having much fun as a minister's wife, in spite of the many responsibilities involved, plus taking care of her brood of three, ranging in age from 7 to 2.

*Dot Cleveland* Robb writes much about her life in Minneapolis (which was a doubly nostalgic letter for me, as I was stationed in Minneapolis for more than a year as a Wave Officer). Dot and Bud



and their three boys live in a colonial house on a lovely lake outside of Minneapolis and are deeply involved in local politics, Bud being Mayor of the village. That is just one of their many outside activities, another not the least being, to help establish a new Presbyterian church in their community.

*Polly Ann Mish Bundy* and her two girls are spending the winter in Staunton prior to joining her Army husband in Turkey for two years. *Betty Smith Chapman* is in the middle of adding "practically another house to ours." Betty was bemoaning the fact that her oldest daughter was getting so grown-up—realized when she bought her the first high heels. The Chapmans have three other children. *Frances Taylor Roberts* and her husband are enjoying a new member of the household, a daughter born March 3rd. They have three other children. *Carolyn Lurton Bell* has been living in Pensacola since the war. Her husband is in the steel business. They have four children, ages 12, 8, 5, and 2. She writes that she sees a lot of *Mimi Profit Batson*. This summer she saw *Adelaide McSweeney Burnett*, '42, *Frances Deming Hamilton*, and *Phyllis Douglass Dawson*, and "they all looked wonderful."

Wish I had the space to insert *Mary Anna Logan Roger's* whole letter, you all would really enjoy it. She gave me permission to report that she has gained 30 pounds and this is "just to make all who have gained feel better." She sees a lot of *Harriette Clarke Thorne* '47 and *Gloria Paradise Rothmayer* '43. The Rogers have been busy renovating their 275-year-old house, "full of charm," which they purchased three years ago. They have five children.

*Ann Kivlighan MacLeod* writes that Kit is living in Staunton, married to a doctor. Ann's husband breeds, raises and trains race horses. Their farm is near Upperville, Va., and they are on the farm all winter and then go to the different race tracks. They have a small plane which her husband Sandy flies to take care of all the commuting. Haven't heard from *Lucie Foster Adams* this time but keep in touch with her. She is living in Annapolis, Md. David is a Commander in the Navy and they have four children, two of each. I hear from *Jerry LeGrand Chapman* fairly regularly. She is living in Syracuse, N. Y., and still thinking the winters are cold. She is getting to be an Ace in golf. The Chapmans have two children.

That about winds this up for the fall. Thank you for your wonderful letters and I will try to give you more time to answer next spring. Please the rest of you get busy and let us hear from you.

NEWS RECEIVED IN THE ALUMNAE OFFICE:

*Elizabeth Wysor Jordan* who lives in Kinston, N. C., has a new son, named John Wysor.

## 1945

Class Secretary: *Louise Plage NEILON*, (Mrs. John E.), Skyline Drive, Glen Mills, Pa.

*Elizabeth McCampbell Burton* has a new daughter, Christy Jane, born last April. Elizabeth and her family live at Moses Lake, Washington.

*Nancy Roane Lathrop* has a new son born in August.

## 1946

*Love Brie Morton's* husband, Jim, has been appointed vice president of *The American Weekly*, the nationally distributed newspaper supplement. The Mortons live in an ocean front cottage at Nags Head, N. C., on the Outer Banks, and also maintain a New York apartment. Jim, a veteran pilot, commutes to business by private plane. They have a son, Geary, age 11, who attends school at Manteo on Roanoke Island.

*Irene East Madden* was married on May 16 to William Larnier of Staunton.

*Elsie Waters* was married April 11 to John Burns Ellington.

*Josephine Alexander Andrews* is now living at 1550 Hermitage Court, Durham, N. C.

*Ann Matthews* was married in June to Norman James Deichsel of Eau Claire, Wis.

## 1947

Class Secretary: *Jeanne Haley ROBERTS*. (Mrs. William G.), 7 Hemlock Lane, Glen Cove, L. I., N. Y.

A card from *Lib Dunn Barnes* reached me too late to be included in our last ALUMNAE BULLETIN. She keeps busy with her church work—she is both choir director and organist. She is also active in the P.T.A. and the Woman's Club. She and Tom live in Corapeake, N. C., with 6-year-old daughter, Barbara.

Also too late was a report from *Kay Else Johnson* that little Peter is growing by leaps and bounds, plus getting cuter every day. He is now 2 years old.

After 10 years of Air Force life, *Anne Claussen Barton* and R. O. settled down to civilian life in '57. They have built their own home at 60 Wellesley Drive, Augusta, Ga., which is quite a joy after so many homes all over the world. R. O. is now in road construction. I doubly appreciate Anne's reply, since baby John was all of twelve days old when she wrote!! The other children are Rocky, 10, Hank, 8, and Cathy, 4. It is a small world—a week before R. O. "retired" from his last assignment at the Air Force Academy, *Marian Seitz Plitt* and Bill were transferred there, so the girls had a brief reunion. In case you don't remember, Anne and Marian were roommates at M.B.C.!!

*Chie Deacon Andrews* is in the chauffeuring business this fall with three children in school and all on different shifts. Bill is in 4th grade, Nancy Lee in 2nd, and Deke is kindergarten. Little

Jim is still pre-school. She had run into *Connie Small Cann* '46 at Virginia Beach in September and *Katherine Potts Wellford*, *Jo Moore Woltz* and *Margaret Hooks Wilson* had visited with her en route to Staunton and their class reunion. (Class of '49.)

Belated congratulations to *Laura Jane Atkinson May* and Phil on the arrival of Phillip, Jr., in the fall of '58. I know his three big sisters are having a grand time with their new brother.

This is my year to bump into M.B.C. gals in the supermarket. One day in June, I was busy pondering what kind of meat to feed the family that day, when the girl next to me asked if I had ever used a certain cut. It was no other than *Ellen McDonald Minet* '46, who now lives in Mill Neck, L. I. Then while in Charlottesville in August, I bumped into *Mary Caperton Armistead Bear* and her two older children. Little Mary Caperton, age 4, had the sweetest curtsy for me!! I planned to get a visit in with her, but it was too hot to stir away from the fan.

The pièce de résistance I have to report is a class of '47 reunion we had in New York in April. *George Ann Brown Carter* wrote me that she would be up from Fort Worth, Tex., for a few days, so I got busy rounding up our classmates in the metropolitan area for a luncheon. On hand were *Joann Myers Foster*, *Joan Craig Lee*, *Harriette Clarke Thorne*, *Jane Vreeland Vreeland*, *Mary Jane Scott Wilde*, *George Ann* and myself!! I think I am fair in saying that everyone had a grand time, and we plan to make it an annual affair as *George Ann* comes up every April. She is a real traveller these days—Amon owns and publishes a newspaper in Fort Worth, so they go to Europe annually and have made one tour of Russia, plus a lot of travel on this side of the world!! All of us with hobo heels were green with envy. Scotty sounded busy as a bee. She has gone back to work and has a glamorous job with an interior design and color consultant firm in New York City, plus a nursery school she and David have as a side line!! They have two adorable girls and live at October House, Bedford, N. Y. Joan and her daughter, Carolyn, have taken a new apartment and are now at 211 King St., Chappaqua, N. Y. Joan still has her fascinating job as head of the archives for *Reader's Digest*. Jo, Happy, Janie and I were the housewives of the group with children keeping us busy. They are all little "angels," but don't lead to anything as intriguing as the others had to report. Jo did have us convulsed, tho, with her account of hubby deciding to go to the French Riviera to study and life there with an infant. She now has two children and has been settled in Westport, Conn., for several years. Happy had pictures of her lovely new house in Darien, Conn.—17 Briar Brae Rd.—and her three precious children. Since our meeting she has had an operation, but is completely



# Alumnae Sons and Daughters



*Left to right: Lenny, son of Connie Headapohl Pikaart '56; Whitford, son of Ann Shaw Miller '54; Melinda and Mary, twin daughters of Miriam Buckles Helmen '47; William Buford III, son of Donia Craig Dickerson, '54; Bill, Lynn and Anne, children of Margaret Anne Sykes Griffey '55; Margaret Lynn, Alex, and Bill, children of Ann Jollit Gaskin '54; Keyser and Sandy, sons of Elizabeth Thomas Kirtley '37.*

recovered, I am happy to say. Janie and Bud have bought her father's house and are starting to redecorate. She is thrilled to have roommate *Tray Vance* Good living in the same town. Bill and I still live in the same house with the same two children. Tray couldn't make the luncheon, because one boy had the chicken pox and the other had the measles! They are now living in Ridgewood, N. J. at 152 Jeffer Court. Also sorely missed was *Sarah Martin* Zeanah, who was in Europe on a glorious three-month tour with her parents and two sisters. I tried to reach her this summer for more details, but, seemingly, she has moved and to date I have not been able to locate her.

We, unfortunately, have several long lost members of the Class of '47. *Elizabeth Walsh* Read (Mrs. John K.), *Katherine Kohler* Huguenin (Mrs. Sidney A.), and *Jackie Jarvis* French (Mrs. Carl). I know we would all love to find them, so if anyone knows their whereabouts please send me their addresses.

Again I have run out of allotted space, so until the next issue, *au revoir*.

#### NEWS RECEIVED IN THE ALUMNAE OFFICE:

Sympathy is expressed to *Louise Mitchell* Supple whose brother, David Mitchell, was killed in an automobile accident in August.

#### 1948

Class Secretary: *Peggy Harris* MILLIGAN, (Mrs. Frederick M.), Lula Lake Rd., Lookout Mountain, Tenn.

*Ruth McBryde* Hill's husband, J. Eldred Hill, Jr., was named by Governor Almond of Virginia to head the Unemployment Compensation Commission. As an Assistant Attorney General, he has been legal adviser to the UCC office since September 1954. Ruth and her family live at 1216 Chase Street, Richmond. Their two sons are J. Eldred III, 6, and John McBryde, 1.

#### 1949

Class Secretary: *Barbara Minter* BARNES, (Mrs. James), 403 Jackson Ave., Lexington, Va.

Only 3,650 more days, give or take a few, until the next 10th reunion which will be our 20th! By then, all hands present at our "tenth" will have recovered sufficiently to converge on Mary Baldwin again for another wonderful week end together.

There just aren't enough words to describe the joyous feeling that prevailed among those of us who were at Mary Baldwin last June. We were all bubbling as we eagerly exchanged snapshots of husbands and children. The volume of chatter was such that I became hoarse immediately (and stayed that way for a week after).

The celebration began for me when *Margaret Hooks* Wilson arrived at my home in Lexington, Va., with my mother who had joined her in Roanoke. (Dear Mother served as my baby sitter for the week end. Jim, who usually performs this chore with distinction, was fully occupied with graduation ceremonies at VMI.) Margaret, of course, was her

usual, vivacious self; still clowning and full of fun. My children loved her dearly, but stood in awe as we screamed and laughed over old college memories.

On Friday, Margaret and I scrambled into my little Volkswagen and headed for Staunton. When we arrived at the Alumnae Office, *Mercer Pendleton* Watt was on hand to greet us. My, such embracing and carrying on. We three were the first to arrive but while we were talking to Mrs. Lytton, in strolled *Betty Gayle Thomas* Jacobsen! Betty Gayle was wearing her familiar suntan and was dressed elegantly. So good to see her again.

After checking in at our Hill Top quarters (somewhat breathless after climbing those stairs), we were assigned rooms and roommates just as if we were freshmen all over again. We quickly freshened up a bit and joined *Ellen Finley Andrews* Hunter, *Jean Whipple* Dutton, *Katherine Potts* Wellford and *Jo Moore* Woltz for a deviled crab dinner at the ever-famous Triangle. It was just as good as it was ten years ago. We ate with relish and not a thought was given to calories. After dinner, a spin to Ingleside in Jo's gorgeous new convertible and then back to the dorm to check on additional arrivals.

We were delighted to greet *Jane Sebrell* Leachman, *Mary Anne Heydenreich* Rush, *Margaret Ann* Newman Avent, *Margaret Lawson* Craighill and *Betsy Lankford* Thomas. Once again, snapshots were traded and the happy noises of reunited friends filled the air. Incidentally, we gathered to talk in the "smoker" in Hill Top, later mov-



Enjoying the Class of '49 reunion dinner are: (standing) Nancy Rawls, Mr. Daffin, class sponsor, Nancy Anderson Blakey, Barbara DeWitt Burke, Betsy Lankford Thomas, Katherine Potts Wellford, Ellen Finley Andrews Hunter, Jean Whipple Dutton, Joan Moore Woltz, Jane Sebrell Leachman, Margaret Hooks Wilson, Betty Gayle Thomas Jacobsen, Margaret Newman Avent, Mercer Pendleton Watts, and Bobbie Minter Barnes; (seated) Chilton Minus Rogers, Irene Adams Witz, guest alumna, Mary Anne Heydenreich Rush, and Margaret Lawson Craighill.



ing over to the new Student Activities Building for cokes. It is hardly necessary to add that we stayed up quite late that evening.

The next day was packed full of activities that were well received by all of us. Breakfast in the dining room and then an alumnae meeting, followed by a huge luncheon for all classes. The highlight of the day was a magnificent buffet at Mr. Daffin's home for all '49ers. Other events included a coffee at the new dorm, a Class Day procession on the terrace lawn, and a tea at Rose Terrace. A "get together" given by Chibi Minus Rogers and her brave husband was a special added attraction.

Of special interest was the arrival of *Barbara De Witt Burke* from North Carolina. Babs was with us two years before transferring to the University of North Carolina. Grand seeing you again, Babs. Pretty as ever.

*Frances Wilhelm Dorgan* came by for lunch Saturday. She and her husband were on their way home to Pennsylvania and could only stay a few hours. At least you made it, Franny!

*Nancy Ruels* drove over from Richmond. She had a good trip to Europe and now teaches school. *Nancy Anderson Blakey* turned up at the Saturday afternoon tea. She had come from her home in nearby Waynesboro.

This was a week end to remember. As I was returning to Lexington and reflecting on the happy events of the week end, I heard a horn blow and saw Whip and Babs in a car passing mine. I made them stop and asked them to stop by my home for a glass of lemonade. When they left me in Lexington I had to face the fact that the whole wonderful week end was really over.

And now for a few other items about our '49ers. Had a phone call from *Cynthia Betts Johnson* last week. She and Bud are back from Japan and are settling in New York City where Bud has a new church. Hope to see you this June, Cyn, when Jim and I go to his tenth reunion at West Point.

*Vera Canaday Lupo* made headlines in South Carolina recently. Her third child, first daughter, was born at 2:01 A.M. to claim the title of first baby of 1959 in South Carolina. Nice timing Vera!

*Ann Craig Williams* and her MBC roommate, *Edith James Beekmann*, have been living next door to one another in Ridgewood, N. J., for two years. Ann and her husband toured Europe for three weeks this spring and had a "marvelous time."

*Mary Duke Blouin* telegraphed from Augusta, Maine, that she couldn't come down for the reunion at the last minute. We missed you, Mary.

*Kitty Makepeace Bradford* sounds like a very busy lady these days. She works mornings at the Admissions Office at Brown University and afternoons as an aide in a hospital. She also is a member of a debating club and plays indoor tennis. Incidentally, Kathy is in the second grade and Dick is in kindergarten.

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*If you are in the habit of reading only the news for your own class, try reading that of other classes, too. You may be surprised at how often the news of other alumnae, even if they are in different eras, will be of interest to you. For instance, in this issue in the news section for the Class of '31, the account of a family's European trip and the part that Mary Baldwin ties played in it holds appeal for the reader whether she knows the people involved or not.*

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Please write me when you can and send news. You've been wonderful over these past ten years and I look forward to your continuing friendship and correspondence.

ROBBIE

NEWS RECEIVED IN THE ALUMNAE OFFICE:

*Gwen Austin Bramer* and her family are now living in Florida (4539 Tarpon Drive, Tampa 10), where her husband is sales manager of Tampa Ventilated Awning Company. The three children are Karen 8, Austin 5, and Leah Gwen 2.

After her father's death, *Jan Dickey Kyle* and her 4-year-old son Gary went to live with her mother, who lives in Phoenix, Ariz. Jan's husband, who was an engineer, died two years ago. The last two summers Jan has spent at Hermosa Beach, Calif. Last winter she went to night school and took a developmental reading class and a speech class. Really surprised herself, she writes, by winning a first and two second places in a speech contest.

1950

Class Secretary: *Kate Scott JACOB*, (Mrs. Nathaniel W.), Onancock, Va.

*Gini Rose Hagee* says on a card which I received a little too late for the news last time that Fred was transferred to Los Angeles last January and they moved into their new home in February. She says he was made zone engineer out there and they love it. She had dinner one evening at the Beverly Hilton with *Jeanne Ashby Furrh* and Jim. The new address is 859 S. Hillward, West Covina, Calif. Congratulations on the promotion!

In April I had a grand letter from *Jenny Graham Nunes*. She says, "We've been sort of isolated over here in Honolulu for the past 3 years (nice isolation eh!) while Ted has been completing his residency in Internal Medicine at Tripler Army Hospital, and while it

has been a wonderful three years' vacation, we'll be very glad to be sailing home come June. We'll be stationed in Washington, D. C., for about 9 months while Ted attends a Basic Science school connected with Walter Reed Hospital." Jenny is anxious to attend our 10th reunion. "Our children now number three. We have Matthew Graham, age 6, Nan Alice, 4 and Mark Frederick, age 2 months. Nan and I have both learned the hula while here and I can strum a bit on the ukelele." Thank you, Jenny, for your interesting letter.

There was a lovely picture recently in the Norfolk paper of *Mary Jane Brinson Bowers* and her 3 sons, George Hubert, III, Thomas Pennington, and Richard Dix. Mary Jane and family have recently moved to Norfolk from Woodbury, N. J., and will live at 5433 Powhatan Ave.

*Joyce Kagin Jackson* wrote from the hospital to say that she was celebrating the birth of a 7-pound daughter, Elizabeth Shepherd, on Labor Day. Their son, Carl Hughes, is now 2½. Joyce finished college at Centre in Danville, Ky., and she has lived there since she married Jim. Jim works for his father at the Jackson Chair Company making upholstered furniture. They own a home in a subdivision called "Green Acres," not far from *Patsy Ingram Caldwell*. She says Patsy is the busy mother of four — Logan 7, Elizabeth Stuart 5, Robbie 3½, and Richard 16 months. Joyce sees *Dorothy Hundley Neal* and her sister *Emily Hundley* who also live in Danville.

*Evelyn Mathews Pierson* writes, "We have had so many wonderful things to happen to us this year that I wanted to write you. On August 5, we adopted a little boy only 2½ months old. He is a darling baby and we have named him Glenwood, III. Last April my husband won a trip to Mexico City for selling Chevrolets and while there we went to Acapulco, which is beautiful. Now he has won a trip to Europe. We will only be gone 2 weeks so we are flying from New York by jet. We will visit London, Paris, and Rome. Now you can see why I say this has been a big year." Yes, Evelyn, we can see why you are excited and we are so pleased for you. Let us hear about your trip.

*Nancy Cohen* is another traveller. She went to Europe this summer for six weeks and she describes her trip as a "tremendous experience." She flew both ways with two other girls, faculty members at Hood. "We spent a few days in England, then flew to Paris, picked up a Renault Dauphine and managed to cover 5000 miles on the Continent. The countries we visited were England, France, Italy, Switzerland, Austria, Germany, Denmark, Holland, and Belgium. Even now I find it a bit hard to settle back down to my chores. My mind keeps wandering off to thoughts of skiing in the Swiss Alps, roaming among the ruins in the Roman Forum, gazing unbelievably at

the bikinis on the French Riviera, attending a Mozart concert in Salzburg or listening to a session at the House of Lords, or chuckling at the fashionable women smoking cigars in Copenhagen, etc.' This could be a travel agency ad—a wonderful description. Nancy goes on to say that she had a nice visit from Miss Fannie and Miss Hillhouse recently. She, too, is excited about the expansion at M.B.C.

Betty Lankford Peek and husband, Dick, are still enjoying work at Covenant Presbyterian Church in Charlotte, where they are directors of music. Dick received his doctorate a year ago last June, so this summer they enjoyed a real vacation for the first time since he began work on it. They went to Mexico and had a perfectly wonderful time. Occasionally she sees Ann Everett Belk

she hopes to be among those present for the 10th reunion. The boys in her family are Charlie 8 and Billy almost 2.

Hannah Todd is now Dr. Todd, having graduated from the University of Rochester's School of Medicine in June of this year.

## 1951

Class Secretary: Pat Hoshall Jacoway, (Mrs. John), 615 Montague Avenue, Ayden, N. C.

It was good to hear from Charlotte Jackson Lunsford that she and Lew are also North Carolinians now. On August 1, Lew began private practice (internal medicine and cardiology) in Asheville. They have bought a home there on a mountain overlooking the city and the mountains. I'm sure we

little girls. They were making plans to return to Newport News where Johnny would begin his dental practice.

In July while on vacation in Williamsburg, we spent a delightful evening with Jean Atkinson. Jean said that Patsy Wilson Hitch had a little boy in June whom they named Christopher.

Alletta Jervey Hudgens and Dick also came to North Carolina in July to begin his residency in psychiatry. I hadn't seen them in 7 years when they spent a week end with us in August. Their precious little Peter was 2 in September, so he and our Bob, who was 2 in May had a grand time together. And then we spent Labor Day week end with them in Chapel Hill. With good friends, especially the ones with whom we spent our college years, it's so easy

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and Harriet Bangle Barnhardt. Betty says they have a strong MBC Alumnae Chapter in Charlotte with 100 people on roll as the group also includes Gastonia and other neighboring areas.

Betsy White Richards proudly tells of her new daughter, Susan White, who was born June 11. Susan's brothers are Stephen 7, and Larry 5½. Betsy also reports that the Hood College annual was dedicated to Nancy Cohen this year. Thank you Betsy for your news.

Penny West Covington in Atlanta sees Jackie Edwards Cohen and Wheat Shahan Wilcox occasionally. She says Wheat and Bub recently moved into a two-bedroom apartment as Bub has decided to stay on in Atlanta a little while. Penny and Hewitt have another son born March 31, named Mark Reade and Penny says he is a round, blond, brown-eyed little beauty. Matthew was four in July and a very proud "big brover." Penny says, "In our back yard we have a sheriff's office, which houses birds' nests, snake skins and many other treasures." Hewitt is busy with the practice of law and also teaching some phases of law to bankers and employees two nights a week.

Emma Martin was married on April 25 to Dr. Edgar Overton Hubbard. They are living at 1500 Palmyra Avenue, Richmond, Va. We wish you every happiness, Emma.

### NEWS RECEIVED IN THE ALUMNAE OFFICE:

Nancy Kirchner Eliason and Bill have a baby daughter born August 12 and named Leslie Carol for Nancy's father whose birthday is August 13. Nancy writes that they are hopeful of flying her whole tribe east next spring, and

all wish them a great deal of happiness in their new home.

North Carolina has gained one then and lost another of our class. Sarah Karnes Zunes and family have moved from Rockingham to Wellsburg, W. Va. Stevie was 3 in November, and Sarah says he already talks like a Yankee. Johnny likes his new church very much.

Betty Stall Mullikin wrote from Roek Hill, S. C., that Josephine Dunlap Galloway (you remember "Pheney") is living there, and Betty has talked to her. "Pheney" has two children now.

Sally Cox Lee and Syd have moved to Florida. Their new address is 1750 Molican Trail, Maitland, Fla. This is outside of Orlando, and they have built a new home there. Sally's children are 1 and 2 now. She was looking forward to Florida's warm climate and throwing away snowsuits. Jean Scholes Blackwelder has moved from Tennessee to Wilmington, Del. She is working toward her master's degree at the University of Delaware.

I'm sorry that the preceding news is all that has been sent to me in the last 6 months. So all I can write about is my own activities. I've been fortunate recently in that I've seen all three of the roommates I had as a senior. In May, John had to be in Richmond for the day, and I spent that day with Betsy Bearer Sutton. I was hoarse the next day from all the talking we did. Betsy's husband, John, has gone into the real estate business and is so happy with his work. Betsy and I had lunch with Elsie Martin. Elsie works in a supervisory position at the Presbyterian Book Store. Then we spent part of the afternoon with Jenny Courtney Ames and Johnny. They have two darling

to take up right where you left off years ago.

Do sit right down and send me your news right away so that we can have a lot of information about all of you next time.

### NEWS RECEIVED IN THE ALUMNAE OFFICE:

Mary Elizabeth Evans Robinson (Biddle) received her doctorate in May of this year. She is a psychologist at Children's Hospital in Washington, D. C.

## 1952

Class Secretary: Betsy Booth, 53 Malvern Ave., Apt. 5, Richmond, Va.

First of all, the latest news from that wise ole bird—Mr. Stork—Annie B. Brown Peacock has a new son and heir—Robert Kerner Peacock, born on July 16.

Alice Ball Watts—a son, George J. Watts III, born in July, (Bet Aliee calls him King George!)

Mary Moore is the new daughter of Margaret McLaughlin Grove. She arrived on August 30.

Betty Scott Jones' daughter was born in Richmond on October 16. Her name is Elizabeth Nottingham.

Elsie Nelms Nash and Ennie Griffin Eason had baby girls on the same day—October 20. Elsie's daughter is Elizabeth Cary and Ennie named her little one Susan Clausel. (Ann and I went to see Ennie in the hospital and were surprised to find Betty Scott Jones in the next room. We had a nice visit with both new mothers.)

I called Nancy Peebles Morrisette but she was in N. C. Her baby sitter told me that Nancy has a new son, but no details. Nancy, do let me know the



## Triptych Being Used Again

The triptych pictured here is being used again after an absence of almost a decade. Under the supervision of Mr. Horace Day, Professor of Art, the three-part picture of Jesus and two Old Testament prophets was done by three art majors, in the Class of '52, *Jessica Gilliam Claussen*, *Ann Schlosser*, and *Anne Person Baylor*. By using the technique of laying the brush flat against the canvas, these artists achieved a mosaic effect.

Done originally for the presentation of Benjamin Britten's "Ceremony of Carols" in 1950, the triptych is once again serving to create a desirable mood and is adding effectiveness to the chapel programs.



name of "Little Morrisette Number Four."

I hear *Frances Morton Sumner* has a son—Let me hear from you, Frances.

*Peggy Moore Ripley* has a son born June 28 and named *Richard St. Clair*.

In June, *Ennie Griffin Eason* spent a week-end with *Ann Paulett*, *Margie Sykes*, and me while she was house hunting. Bravest soul I ever saw. Miller kept the children in Staunton and Ennie took a map of the city of Richmond, called Real Estate Agents, and had a house before I could turn around. We're delighted to have her in Richmond. *Margie* and I visited Ann in Scottsville in July and saw *Margaret McLaughlin* Grove many times. *Jessica Gilliam Claussen* and Ward visited Margaret and Jim this summer and just missed witnessing their gala event. While *Jessie* was with Margaret, *Betty Gwaltney Schutte* came over from Winchester and Margaret said they had a delightful time at lunch one day catching up on all the news.

*Ann Paulett* took off for California to visit her brother and spent a glorious month. *Margie Sykes* spent her summer at the beach and I might add I was a frequent visitor. We saw a lot of *Elsie Nelms Nash* and Rody. I ran into *Anne Person Baylor*. We chatted and chatted at intermission of the "Moon Was Blue" which was put on by summer theater.

I missed seeing *Joan White Thomas* who brought her two children to the beach for a clan gathering of the White-Thomas family.

We wish to express our sympathy to *Julia Budwell* Barbara who lost her brother, Walter, in September.

I talked to *Mary Lamont Wade*, who told me that *Ann Schlosser* is at the University of Georgia taking some art courses. Let me hear from you Schloss.

Mary saw Schloss and *Sarah Baylor* Tunstall in September at *Ann L. Robinson's* '53 wedding. Mary's daughter Suzanne will be a year old this fall.

I had a wonderful letter from *Annie B. Brown* Peacock late in the spring—after my spring news had gone to print. She had just moved into a new conventional styled brick home—and said she and Neely were having fun in their yard. "He is an accomplished gardener and everything I touch dies—I dig and he plants!" Annie B. has a Sunday School class of 45 high school sophomores, is on the board of directors of the music club. Sounds like you're mighty busy, Annie B.! Remember her grandfather—she writes he's still going strong at 77!

*Loree Adams'* mother wrote me such a nice letter telling me that Loree was married to William Thomas Barrett on October 25, 1958. They are living in Tacoma, Washington, at 8610 Steilacoom Blvd.

*Lynn Lytton Hamer* wrote me in the spring and sent me news from Ft. Leonard, Mo., where she and Fred are stationed. Fred finished his orthodontic course at Columbia in June and went straight into the Army. Their son Chuck is 4 and their daughter Cathy 1. Lynn wrote that they were thinking of settling in Richmond when their tour in the Army is over. Her address is 359 Bland, Lebanon, Mo.

I'm sorry I don't have more news to report. Please keep me posted and send pictures.

1953

Class Secretary: *Margaret Garrett*, 4815 South 31st St., Apt., C2, Arlington, Va.

*Jean Chapman* Kollmansperger and Charles have a son, Charles Jr., born July 9. Jean and her family live in

Chattanooga -- 110 Green Gorge Rd., Signal Mt., Tenn. There are four daughters, Marty 5, Kitty 4, Debby almost 3, and Libby almost 2.

*Nancy Daugherty* Denman has been made Assistant Dean of Women at Denison University, Granville, Ohio. Nancy graduated from William Jewell College and has her M.S. from Indiana U. Her husband is working toward his doctorate.

*Pauline Fames* was married on May 2 to Percy Wilson Oakley, Jr., a graduate of RPI. He is employed by the Virginia Stationery Company of Richmond, Va. Pauline has been teaching in the public schools of Richmond.

*Suzanne Hill* is now Mrs. Frederick Fox Williams, Jr. Her husband is from Shaker Heights, Ohio.

*Mary Sue Shields* Conoly is once again living in Beeville, Tex., and she writes that they are so happy to be settled finally. Beeville is the center of the Conoly Drug Stores in South Texas, and Dan is in this business with his father. Their children are Shell 5 and Bart 3. Mary Sue says Shell learned to swim this summer and she and Dan have a time just keeping up with her. They were hoping to start building their home this fall. In August they had "a glorious trip to Las Vegas and we can guarantee anyone it's all they say and more."

1954

Class Secretary: *Daphne Brown* ROBERTSON, (Mrs. William Lee), 1206 Roberts Rd., Newport News, Va.  
Dear Class:

I didn't catch up with quite as many of our class as I had hoped—am still looking for letters so may have more news next time.

*Alma McCue* Miller wrote what fun



The Class of '54 celebrates at their reunion dinner. Pictured here are: (standing) Liz DeLoach, Nancy Quinn, Connie Headapohl Pikaart, Wini Boggs, Ann L. Robinson Brown, Jan Mitchell Harper, Marian Hollingsworth, Jessie Carr Haden, Louise Fowlkes Kegley; (seated) Lee Pierce Mosso, Nancy Rawles Grissom, Mrs. Lytton, class sponsor, Ann Shaw Miller, and Diane Evans Wood.

it was seeing all the '54 class again. "It was a beautiful weekend and how could it possibly have been five years since we walked those covered corridors to Chapel and gathered in the Chub for bridge and chit-chat." Alma said there was much catching up of news between the Alumnae Meeting, yummy Alumnae Luncheon, lovely tea at Bailey and Class Day. Diane Evans Wood and Jan Mitchell Harper drove down together for the weekend. Diane is living in Highland, Indiana, now and Jan in Malvern, Pa. Jessie Carr Haden and Pat have moved to Waynesboro. Jessie, may we have your new address? Congratulations to Connie Headapohl Pikaart and Len. They have an adopted son, Len, Jr., who was 2 in April. Connie and Len are living in Charlottesville now, and Len has entered graduate school for a year's study in education. Nancy Quinn came all the way from Texas for the reunion. She had picked up Liz DeLoach in New Orleans and they came together. Ann Shaw Miller, Wini Boggs, Nancy Rawles Grissom, Ann L. Robinson and Louise Fowlkes Kegley were all there too. I wish everyone had left pictures of their little ones so we could see them in the Bulletin. Ann and "Fish" both have darling little boys Alma B. said. Nancy works at Reynolds Metal in Richmond. Ann L. became Mrs. John Thompson Brown on September fifth—best wishes from us all, Ann L. Tom is a student at Virginia Theological Seminary. Nancy at-

tended the wedding—said that in spite of an attack of flu and an injured arm Ann L. made a beautiful bride and the wedding was "reahl nicee."

Ashlin Wyatt sent me this news. Betty Gray Gibson is busy keeping house and her husband is in his last year of Dental School at the Medical College. Ida Sumner Wood and John had a baby girl, Judith Drake, in England this past summer where John finished his dissertation for his Ph.D. in history. They are in Charleston now and John is teaching at The Citadel. Carolyn McGeorge Henslee and family are living in North Highlands, Calif. (1213 San Martin). Her husband is working on an engineering project nearby. Ellen Stickell Bare and her husband are in Lexington, Va. (Apt. 24B, Hill-Terrace) while her husband is attending law school at W. & L. Ashlin says she is continuing work toward her Master's in Fine Arts—"my time is largely consumed by doing research, painting and writing for my thesis."

Audrey Pepper Oliver sent this news. She and Jim have 2 children Linda, 4, and Clay, 2½. Pepper met Jim at the University of Alabama; Jim is from Panola, Ala. Jim works for Reynolds & Co., Stock Brokers in Winston-Salem. Julia Kester Blythe and Sam have two daughters, Nancy and Julia, and are living in Gainesville, Fla. Sandra Wright Gilliland and Bob are still in Memphis. Sandra is a fashion model there.

Wini Boggs sent this news. Tusten

Payne Lanning and Bill are busy fixing up there new house in Atlanta. Widgee Switzer Zirkle, Moff and Bud have moved back to Richmond but Wini didn't know their new address. She said she had had a delightful weekend with them in Augusta last spring. Moff has finished his time in the service and Widgee has taken up painting, and had some nice water colors. Wini says she still loves Atlanta. This past summer she taught a special kind of reading at the Ida Casson Callaway Gardens to the Callaway children, ages 2-4-6-8. Judy Vann Kenan and Pat have a little boy, Dan. Judy wrote Wini she's busy with Dan, Pat, apartment, two dogs and a job. Mercy, Judy, how do you do it?

Had a note from Lee Pierce Mosso. Her children, Jan and Andy, were 2½ and 10 months when she wrote. Dave is with the Treasury Department and Lee said she stays busy picking up toys, cracker crumbs, telephone and various and assorted children who wander in at naptime to play. Would love to have a picture of the children, Lee, for the Bulletin.

Also had a letter from Mary Wilkin-son Bryan. They have three little boys and Mary said little girls just don't seem to run in the Bryan family. She had received a wedding invitation from Najia Hassen in June—now Mrs. B. L. White, Jr. We were sorry to hear, Mary, that your Mother passed away in the spring.

Belated best wishes Jeanne Taylor



from us all—Jeanne was married June fifth to Max Block, a native New Yorker and an attorney. Jeanne has stopped working and they live at 151 East 38th Street, New York 16, N. Y. Jeanne wrote several of the New York area girls for me and I hope to have news of them for the next Bulletin. Jeanne is taking an art course this fall. She sees *Jay Caldwell* Ross quite frequently; Jay has been busy as a Provisional Jr. League member and teaching arts and crafts in the local art museum.

Best end this chatter and get the news in the mail before the Alumnae Office is after me. Bill and I have been back in Virginia for a year (at this writing) and love it. We always have a house or yard project and are anxious now to build. The children, Ellen and Butch, are fine and growing like weeds.

*Marian Hollingsworth*, who was one of those present for the reunion, gives the following account of the weekend—Surely makes us all wish we had been able to be there, too!

Gathered around the luncheon table in the MBC dining room—redecorated since our day—were fourteen members of the class of '54, who "hadn't changed a bit," and their sponsor, Mrs. Lytton, who really *hadn't* changed. As we waited in impatient silence for the blessing to be said so we could all start talking at once again, two more members of the class appeared at the door in typical fashion, just in time for the food: Liz DeLoach and Nancy Quinn, all the way from N. O. and Big D respectively. After they had been greeted by the rest of us, *Nancy Rawles* Grisson, *Ann Shaw* Miller, *Alma McCue* Miller, *Jean Fear* Clements, *Jessie Carr* Haden, *Lee Fierce* Mosso, *Connie Headapohl* Pikaart, *Ann*

*L. Robinson*, *Diane Evans* Wood, *Jan Mitchell* Harper, *Wini Boggs*, *Louise (Fish)* Fowlkes Kegley, *Pat Andrews* Middlekauf, and *Marian Hollingsworth*, we ate. During the luncheon Dr. Spencer, whom some of us were hearing for the first time, made the very wonderful announcement about the gift of the new dining hall, which you've probably heard about by this time. After the luncheon we adjourned to Upper Back Gallery, all talking at once and exchanging pictures, to have a cigarette, a game of pool (Lee and Jessie can still win when those balls across the felt), or just more talk. Then there was a delightful coffee in Bailey Hall where we saw many old friends—faculty, administration, students, and classmates, *Eleanor Lee Yeakley* Gardner among them—and talked and exchanged pictures. After the coffee it was time for the Class Day ceremonies, and after that there was just time before our class dinner to freshen up, make a quick trip to Ingleside (amid those beautiful mountains), exchange a few pictures, and talk. The class dinner was held at the Beverly Hills. All of us mentioned above were at the dinner, except Alma, Jean, Pat, and Eleanor Lee. There was a great deal of talk, picture-passing, gay girlish laughter, telling "Jan stories," and reminiscing in general, not to mention eating. After the dinner, we drove back to Memorial, where we were all staying, jumped into our playclothes, and most of us toured out to Dr. Collins' farm to play. We ended the evening (at 2 a. m.) amid folk songs, pictures, talk, rusticity, and peace. Several members of the class of '55 were there, with assorted husbands, and a good time was had by all. In fact, that's the way I would sum up the whole reunion. I couldn't possibly begin to tell you everything that was said,

who has what type baby, who is living where and why, and all such details. But it was a good time—a wonderful time. And when we meet again in another five years, I hope there will be even more of us there. I *know* there will be more reminiscing, more pictures, and more talk!

1955

Class Secretary: *Margaret Neel Query KELLER* (Mrs. T. F.) 1024 W. Markham Ave., Durham, N. C.

The only thing which detracted from our reunion in June was the fact that more of you couldn't be there. It was grand to be back on the campus and those of us there enjoyed lunch and dinner together on Class Day, as well as the other events of the Commencement Weekend. At lunch we had just enough space at one table for our class and Mr. Page. *Page Smith* Hartley, *Tommie Hornbarger* Clemmer, *Eleanor Harwell* Thomsen, *Betsy Robinson* Harrison, *Mary Hornbarger* Mustoe, *Patsy Rutherford* Miller, *Gwen Cooper* Wamsley and I were in the group. With the class of '54 back also, there was much cross-table chatter, especially at dinner that night, and we read the information sheets which many of you had sent into the Alumnae Office. And, of course, at all spare moments there were baby pictures circulating!

We have some new babies to add to the list, too. *Amnie Phillips* Schweizer's Christmas card brought news of a third daughter, Heidi, born September 26, 1958. *Gwen Cooper* Wamsley and Jim added James Cooper to their household on February 23. *Betsy Robinson* Harrison and I met Robin Wamsley while we were in Staunton, but Cooper was not along. Robin is quite a young lady of three now. *Bee Belshie* Dnff and Gene also have a new son, Thomas Bowen, who was born April 10. Their daughter, Leigh Anne, is also three and quite fond of her brother, Bee writes. Finally, Ben Huddleston Smith III, arrived May 1 in Chapel Hill, N. C., adding a first son to the family of *Lilly Sinrill* Smith and Ben.

*Ann Covin*, who is teaching again this year in Covina, Cal., had a grand summer in Europe, "without benefit of tours, just relying upon friends there and acquaintances made." Her first stop was London where she had good MBC guides, *Ida Sumner* Wood '54 and *Magdalena Garcia*. Afterwards, she travelled through Italy, Switzerland, Germany, and France. Speaking of Mary Baldwin people in London makes me think that I had a nice letter from *Raymonde Samar*an too late for another deadline and she also is in London working now. *Patricia Dilworth* Boatner and her husband and son left this summer for Paris where Mark will be with SHAPE. Pat has been very involved this past year helping Mark with the preparation of a book and she was happy to report when



Members of the Class of '55 who attended the reunion dinner were: (Left to right) Mr. Page, class sponsor, Margaret Neel Query Keller, Betsy Robinson Harrison, Patsy Rutherford Miller, and Page Smith Hartley.

she wrote in June that it was almost finished.

*Najia Hassen* was sorry to miss our reunion in June, but had a very important date on June 20 when she was married to Lee White in Sulphur, Okla. He and Nana are both seniors in medical school this year and they have our very best wishes.

*Betsy Robinson Harrison*, who is living in Herndon, Va., is working this year at the high school there as a secretary and finance officer. Betsy herself has to admit that the latter responsibility is somewhat ironic, considering her natural ability in arithmetic, but she does find it challenging! Ralph, since his release from the Navy, has been in sales engineering with Melpar.

I am sure that all of you will want to join me in extending our sympathy to *Patty Tipton Pugh* in the loss of an infant daughter. Patty and Summer are still in Keysville and Summer is completing his master's.

As you will notice from our new address we have been on the move. Tom completed his Ph.D. in August and is teaching now in the Department of Economics and Business Administration at Duke University. We are in the midst of trying to get settled in a house which we bought this summer and after a month, I'm convinced the job is hopeless! For the first time, I'm not working, but I am taking two courses at Duke. We have found Durham a very friendly community and one with lots of interesting activities; I think we will like being here. It was grand to have friends already made and until our furniture arrived we were treated royally by *Lilly Simrill Smith* in nearby Chapel Hill and *Judy Fann Kenan '54* in Durham. Last week Judy and I visited with *Betty Hirst Virtue '54* whose husband is at Duke Hospital. I have also found out that *Eleanor Woolfolk Roberts* is living here while her husband does his residency in surgery at Duke and I hope to see her soon.

May I close with a plea? I am very anxious to have my address list up-to-date by the end of the year. When you get this copy of the *Alumnae Bulletin* please sit down and drop me a card if yours is having to be forwarded from an old address. I'd surely appreciate it.

#### NEWS RECEIVED IN THE ALUMNAE OFFICE:

*Rae Rader Smith* is living in Tulsa, Okla., her husband's hometown. He attended law school at the University of Tulsa and Rae has worked as an interior decorator at a large furniture store in Tulsa.

*Gypsy Floyd Jolin* received her master's degree in music from the University of Kentucky in August.

Our sympathy is expressed to *Page Smith Hartley* whose mother died quite unexpectedly in May of this year. Page was visiting with her mother at the time of her death.

1956

Class Secretary: *Nancy Buston Downs*, (Mrs. Eugene M.), Box 22, Clifton Forge, Va.

To each of you who have written, I say thank you. Because I have had so much news, my allotted pages must be crammed. If you want to know more about our classmates, you may write to all of them as soon as I send out the Christmas Address List.

*Dutchie Milligan Williams* and *Pete* are proud to announce the birth of *Clarence Edward III*, called *Ward*, in *Charlotte* on May 26th. They attended the wedding of *Shannon Milligan '59* on September 12. *Patty Perlitz Williams*, *Dave*, and *Kathleen* are now in *Brignton, Mass.*, while *Dave* attends *Harvard Business School*. As always, *Germaine White* is busy teaching school and studying for her degree which she hopes to

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get in June. *Mary Garrison Williams* and her husband are in *Omaha, Neb.*, where he is flying the new *KC 135 Jet*. *Leta Allen* was 8 months old in September. *Carolyn Craig Terrell* and her husband have a brand new home and a second child, *Prescott Carter Terrell, Jr.*, who was born on August 21. *Kathy* will be 2 in November.

*Pat Lary* and *Ben Stevens* were married in June of 1956. *Ben III* was born in Germany on July 27, 1957, while they were stationed at "Patch" Barracks. They now live in *Mobile, Ala.*, where *Ben* is a medical representative for *Pitman-Moore*. Their daughter, *Lary* was born on March 27, 1958. *Patty Parke Schneider* and *Lee* announce the birth of *Thomas Parke* on August 7. *Little Tommy* was sleeping through the night at the age of five weeks!

From *Wellesley Hills, Mass.*, comes news of the four *T. Scotts*. *Mardi Cowles Scott* reports a very happy team, *T. Lee*, and *Linda* (or "Piglette"). *Frank* and *Ellen Gibson Shaw* are kept busy by their two also. *Paige* is 2 and *Doug*, 1, and their home is in *Clemson, S. C.*

August was a month for boys! *Hugh* and *Clare Trotti Stephens* added a son to their family on August 24th, naming him *Mark Waddell*. They, with *Jan* who is 2, will be in *Hamden, Conn.*, where *Hugh* is beginning work on his Ph.D. at *Yale*. *Susie Priestman Rutherford* and *Holt* are teaching in *Isla de Pines, Cuba*. *Susie* has the third and fourth grades and *Holt*, high school. *Mary D. Megarity Roberts* writes that they are happily settled in the home they bought in March. She and *Dick*, with *Lisa Lyn*, were starting on a vacation to *Oklahoma* when I heard from her. I was delighted to hear that the *Dick Reids (Jeanette Fisher)* will be heading toward *Baltimore* around Christmas. *Jeanette* finds *Liza* and *Jim* at fairly compatible ages and was enjoying the calm.

Friends, roommates, and now mothers: *Shelby Penn Mooney* and *Hal* announce the birth of *Sharon Michele* on June 30th. *Ann Ritchie Robertson* and *Andy* became the proud parents of *Alexander Parish* on September 22 in *Ann Arbor*. The very next day *Teresa Ann* was born to *Carl* and *June Morrow Grossguth* in *Arcadia, Cal.* Wish I could quote the whole of *Shelby's* letter as *Hal's* work is so very interesting. He is at the *Naval Electronics Lab* in *San Diego*. En route from *Connecticut* to *California* in January they saw *Lee Martin Frazer*, *Rod* and their two boys, *Tom* and *Rod*. They also saw *Reba Russell Long '57* in *New Orleans*. Meeting *Mabel Bellwood Kramer '58* and her husband at *Carlsbad Caverns*, they discovered that they were also being sent to their new station in *San Diego*.

*Reid Strickland's* marriage to *Maurice Nottingham, Jr.*, took place June 27. They are now in *Richmond* where *Maurice* is in his last year of medicine at *MCV* and *Reid* is teaching. Also in *Richmond* are *Lucia Whitehead Mottley* and *Chuck*. *Chuck* graduated from seminary and *Marcia* was born the same month, May.

*Lib Malone Mehr* writes that they are delighted with *Denver*. *Mike* is interning at *Colorado General Hospital*. *Patrick*, 2, and *George*, 6 months seem to love the location too.

*Poochie Hunt* is in her fourth year of teaching and loves it. In the summer she goes to *Longwood*, working on her master's degree. *Fran*, her brother, was married to *Ann Gordon Bagwell '59* this summer. *Lynn Kernan Herten* and *Don* are in *Morristown, N. J.* *Elizabeth* is now 4. *Bunny Buntin Hovater*, *Kim* and *Eleanor* are spending another delightful winter in *Key West, Fla.*, where *Kim* is in the submarine service. *Norma Weiss Grove* wrote some *Montgomery* news back in June. She and *Frank* are quite proud of 15-month-old *Carroll*. *Emily Bear Hughes*, *Bill*, *Margaret*, 3, and *Bill*, 1, also live there. *Robert* and *Norma Hedrick Barnes* have two daughters, *Debbie*, 3 and another one 6 months old. *Arthur* and *Chris Dooley Little* are enjoying adding on to their home in *Hickory, N. C.*, while being entertained by 2-year-old *Lois*. *Faye Duke Lewis* wrote a grand letter. She and her hus-



band live on a farm near Sardis, Miss., and have four bird dogs for company. Paye also wrote that *Ann Walder* is teaching school in Memphis and that *Eleanor Cahill* has a job there.

*Nancy Payne Dahl*, Harry, and Debbie, 2, are still living in Staunton and would love to see any of you who come that way. *Laura Clauson Drum* and Chuck are in Charlottesville where he is in the graduate school of physics and she is teaching five classes of plane geometry. *Tobie Cagle* is working at a travel department in a bank in Indianapolis. She has an opportunity to go to South America this November in connection with her work. Her sister is a sophomore at MBC and occupies Tobie's room in Memorial. *Mimi Carpenter* is happily settled in Greenville, S. C. and hopes to get to the next reunion (which will be in '62, so we can be back with the classes of '57 and '58.) *Sue Dozier Morris*, Dink, and Cindy have a "trailer house" in Charlottesville, and enjoy seeing many friends from MBC.

Many thanks to *Nancy McMurray '59* who sent news of *Lois Morrison Collins* and *Sue Berry McMurray*. Lois, upon Mr. Day's invitation, gave an art exhibit Founders' Day, and her paintings stay until the last of October. Lois and Kit have bought a five-room farm house in Indiana while Kit does graduate study at the U. of I. in Russian, toward teaching or going into the foreign service. Harlan and Sue sailed August 3rd for Belgium where they will be for a year, learning French before going to the Congo next summer. *Anne Dick Lovelady* is kept busy by her two boys, Bill, 3, and Stuart Allen, 1. *Jean Robertson Lambert* writes again from Buckeye, Arizona, where she and John boast a family of two children, Kim, 3 and Mark, 1, plus numerous animals on their ranch. For a lesson in Spanish, visit *Betsy Watson Kirby* in San Antonio. Martha, 2, and Laura 7 months have a Mexican maid, Petra, who speaks nothing but Spanish!

Fred and *Elaine Baldwin Johnson* have such interesting lives, with Fred studying Russian and other grand courses and being appointed for several short-term jobs as interpreter. *Bettye Hurt Ingram*, is teaching, playing the organ, and keeping up with 2-year-old Jeff. *Martha Hull Black* and Bob live in Bastrop, La., and have three little ones, Ginger, 3½, Rob, Jr., 2½ and Betsy, 1. *Kathy Showalter Johnson* and Dick have a son, Stuart, 1½, and daughter, Laura Lynn, 8 months. They live in West Severna Park, Md. *Jane Zimmer Barnhart*, Don, and Donald live in Wichita Falls, Tex. *Sally Lunder Edwards* has the heavyweight for the class—Billy weighed in at 11 pounds! Last December *Sallie Tucker* became the bride of Wesley E. Anderson and they are living in Calvert, Tex. *Margie Mowl* and *Betty Boyer* are working in Washington. *Dolly Adair Atmar* and Richard are busy set-

ting with their two children in their new home in Corpus Christi.

NEWS RECEIVED IN THE ALUMNAE OFFICE:

*Susan Andes Pittman* and Bill have a daughter, Brian, born January 21. Susan writes: "Brian was born the day after I stopped work, and 2 hours after my husband's last law exam." Bill is in law school at the U. of N. C.

*Jane Perkins* is in her 4th year of teaching English in Louisville, Ky.—grades 7, 8, and 9. She has been acting in local amateur theatre in Louisville and in Southern Indiana. In September she was playing Sylvia in "The Tender Trap."

*Jo Anne Terrell* left the middle of August to teach in an Air Force school in Japan. Next summer she will return to the States for about six weeks, and then she hopes to go to Germany, or at least Europe, and teach.

*Barbie Ott* is studying French at the University of Paris. She is the recipient of the Lejeune scholarship for graduate study in the Alliance Française in Paris.

*Mary Jane Rawlins* was awarded a \$1500 graduate fellowship in journalism at the University of Missouri. The fellowship was established by the U. S. Steel Foundation. Mary Jane has been assistant information director at Lamar State College at Beaumont, Tex. She has enrolled for her graduate study at the University, with a view of teaching journalism and English.

*Sara Burnett Robinson* and Jerry are living in Fayetteville, N. C., and expect to be there for two years. Jerry is stationed at Ft. Bragg.

1958

Class Secretary: *Katherine E. Smith Reid* (Mrs. James W., Jr. Tulane University, New Orleans, La.



Celebrating the first reunion of the Class of '59 are: (left to right) Peggy Hankins, Libby Ann Withrow, Judy Gallup Armstrong, Mrs. Page, class sponsor, Nancy McMurray, Margie Clarke Moring, Katherine Smith Reid and Marina Johnson.

1957

Class Secretary: *Jeanne Mikell Kline*, 410 N. Allen Ave., Apt. No. 3, Richmond, Va.

*Reba Russell* was married July 15 to William David Long. *Nan Candler Freed* and Charlie have a daughter born in August. She is named Felicia Nanearl and is called Fay.

*Salenda Smith Kincaid* taught the 2nd grade this past year but is teaching the first grade this year. Her husband is finishing his studies at Hofstra, having returned to college after two years in the army. He plans to teach on the high school level when he finishes. They live in Hempstead, N. Y.

*Bryant Pope Pileher* lives in Richmond and is the medical technician for three pediatricians.

*Nancy Switzer* was married this summer to John Allan Sowers and they honeymooned in Bermuda.

Dear Classmates,

My apologies go to you for the lack of news. Circumstances seemed to have conspired to see that '58 has a short column this time. In all our moving around this summer, the mail simply eluded us, and I received the class list September 23—too late to contact you and meet the October 1 deadline.

The "moving around" consisted of a protracted trip out West—Carlsbad Caverns, El Paso, Juarez in Mexico, Grand Canyon, Las Vegas, Salt Lake City, Denver, and the Rocky Mountains—ultimately to the Gulf beach and New Orleans. We are now living on the Tulane University campus where Jim (I was married on August 5 to Jim Reid) is in medical school. It was a wonderful summer for us, but certainly a busy one!

Our first class reunion in June found so few of us assembled that we just couldn't track down all 133 of our members. In fact, only *Libby Ann Withrow*,

Margie Clarke Moring, Judy Gallup Armstrong, Peggy Hankins, Marina Johnson, Nancy McMurray '58 and '59 Mrs. Page, and I were there for our first "anniversary." Needless to say, all of you 126 who weren't with us were greatly missed and fondly remembered. It was at the reunion that I fell heir to the position of Class Secretary, and I've really enjoyed looking over the class list. There surely are a lot of new last names, and probably others have undergone the big change since then. I'm sure all of you have something interesting to tell us, so please make it known by writing me.

I've heard from Marina Johnson recently. She is working for the Department of the Army in Washington and living in a very Victorian apartment. You should hear her describe her velvet surroundings!

Nancy Williams Deacon and Jim are in Denver, Colo. where he is doing his internship at Fitzsimons Army Hospital. He graduated from the University of Virginia Medical School in June.

This summer Libby Ann Withrow started work on a graduate degree in library science at Emory University in Atlanta, Ga. We can all agree that she will surely be a successful librarian.

When I last heard from Margie Clarke Moring, she was planning to teach elementary school this fall. Her husband, Fred, is studying law in Washington, and they are living in Alexandria.

And that's all the news I've scraped up this time. You'll be hearing from me shortly—well before the next issue of the Bulletin. In the meantime, please let me know who, where, and what you are so that I can pass the information on to the class and the Alumnae Office. Let's have the newsiest column of all next issue.

Love,  
Kathy Smith REID

#### NEWS RECEIVED IN THE ALUMNAE OFFICE:

Merita Long was married to Captain Stanley Blosser Webster, Chaplain Corps, U.S.A.F. After a short wedding trip, they left for Germany where Capt. Webster is stationed at Ramstein Air Force Base. They will be there for three years. In October, Dr. Richard Potter, pastor of First Presbyterian Church in Staunton, was one of a group of ministers who went to Europe as guest ministers at various military bases. He wrote back to Staunton about having walked into a hotel in Germany and seeing Merita and her husband in the lobby there.

Young Sook Hyun was married in June to Myungwhan Kim of Seoul, Korea. This past year Young Sook has been doing graduate work at the University of Michigan. Her husband graduated from the University of Alabama and received his M.S. degree from Yale University where he is continuing his studies for a doctor's degree under a Danforth Fellowship.

Daisy Givens is serving as Recreation Leader under the Army Special Services. Her assignment is for two years, and the command for which she was selected is Germany, Italy, and France.

Nancy Pillow is now an Executive Secretary for the Assistant Controller at Miller & Rhoads in Richmond, Va. One of her apartment mates is Jo Harris, '57 of Staunton, a medical technician.

Ann Jurecka was married August 30 to John Alton Burdine, Jr., and they are making their home in Galveston. He is a junior medical student at the University of Texas, and Ann teaches at Crockett Elementary School.

#### 1959

Class Secretary: Suzanne Smith, 1410 W. 41st St., Richmond, Va.

The class of 1959 has scattered to many sections of the land. Varied are the occupations which are being pursued by those alumnae represented.

Several members of the class of 1959 have assumed housekeeping duties. Mary Anne Taylor Bradford, Birmingham, Ala., and Ardys Hough Dodge, Lawton, Okla., were married in the latter part of July; Ann Peterson McGee, married in late summer, is now working with McGraw-Hill Publishing Company in Charlottesville; Gwen Kennedy Neville is teaching 9th grade English in the public schools in Lubbock, Tex.; Emory O'Shee Apple is teaching 8th, 9th, and 11th grade English in Charlottesville.

Others making out lesson plans are: Anne Pierce in 8th and 9th grade English in Norfolk, Sue Ritchie in 9th grade math in Decatur, Ga., Suzie Stirling for a class of retarded children in Norfolk, and Suzie Smith, biology and general science near Richmond.

Martha Caplinger Brinkley is busy keeping her little ones, baby and hubby, in Richmond, and Gloria Gregory is in the nursing school of the Medical College of Virginia.

Sidney Williams has acquired a position in the theology library at Emory University while taking graduate courses in the library school. Ann Singletary is working toward a Master's in Music Literature at the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, N. Y., and Carlana Lindstrom is taking undergraduate courses at the University of Edinburgh in Scotland.

SUZANNE SMITH

#### NEWS RECEIVED IN THE ALUMNAE OFFICE:

Dotsy Wilkins was married June 20 to Ensign Harlan Bingham Miller, USNR. They are living in San Diego, Calif., where he is attached to the USS Eldorado.

Beverly Ann Matthews is teaching in Roanoke, Va., this year.

Sally Graham Murphy has a daughter, Caroline Ann born in September. Sally and her family are living at Ft. Dix, N. J., but her husband expects to be out of the service in several months.

Joyce Holt, Anne McClung, and Liza Williams are in Cambridge, Mass., this year.

Doug Kellam graduated from the U. of N. C. in June with a B.A. in English.

Marnie Graf was married September 12 to James Lawrence Davidow. After a honeymoon to Bermuda, they are living in Detroit. Both Marnie and Jim are working at Hudson's. They hope to start building their home this fall.

Ann Gordon Bagwell was married in June to Francis Watkins Hunt, and they are living in Charlottesville. Ann Gordon is teaching third grade in a county school outside of Charlottesville.

Ruth Hawkins was married in October to Harrison S. Dey, Jr., and they are living in Washington, D. C.

Margaret Ann Miller has successfully passed the examination given by the registry of medical technologists of the American Society of the Clinical Pathologists.

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Ease Pennington '60 was married August 22 to Edward McPhail Bridgforth.

Billie Jean Brown '60 was married in September to John Abbott Kivlighan. They are living near Blacksburg and John is in his senior year at VPI.

Ann Shelor '61 was married June 2 to Douglas Page Elmore. They are living in Richmond where he has entered the law school of the University of Richmond.

Nancy Jo Charles '61 was married June 25 to Willis F. Hutchens and they are living in Staunton, Va. He is attending Bridgewater College at Bridgewater, Va., and Nancy Jo is teaching elementary school.

Mary Bell Reagan '62 was married in August to Robert Richard Shelton of Kingsville, Tex. The couple is living in Buenos Aires, Argentina, where he is managing the King Ranch business in that country.

#### ALUMNAE VISITORS

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Gwen Cooper Wamsley, '55  
Mercer Pendleton Watt, '49  
Kathryn Little Weaver, '34  
Diana Rede Weir, '56  
Katherine Potts Wellford, '49  
Rosa Phipps Williford, '35  
Margaret Hooks Wilson, '49  
Libby Ann Withrow, '58  
Joan Moore Woltz, '49  
Marie Hammond Wouson, '06  
Diane Evans Wood, '54  
Margaret Wilson Wood, '50  
Sarah Karnes Zunes, '51



# College Calendar 1959-60

OCTOBER 24	"High School Day"
OCTOBER 24	(4:00-5:00) Tea for Lois Morrison Collins
OCTOBER 30	King Series: National Symphony Orchestra
OCTOBER 31	Parents' Day
NOVEMBER 14	Informal dance sponsored by Social Committee
NOVEMBER 21	(8 P.M.) Fall play presented by Drama Department
NOVEMBER 23	King Series: Little Singers of Paris
NOVEMBER 26-29	(Thursday-Sunday) Thanksgiving Holiday. Attendance required at classes on November 25 and November 30
DECEMBER 1	Current Issues Series: Joseph Allen Hynek—"Our Expanding Universe"
DECEMBER 5-15	Professor Kantak of the University of Baroda in India, whose speciality is English Literature, will be visiting lecturer on campus during this period
DECEMBER 5	Winter Dance
DECEMBER 7	Current Issues Series: Alpheus Thomas Mason—"The Supreme Court, Temple and Forum"
DECEMBER 13	Vesper program by Mary Baldwin Choir
DECEMBER 17	(12:20 P.M.) Christmas Vacation begins
JANUARY 4	(8:30 A.M.) Christmas Vacation ends—Classes begin
JANUARY 8	Current Issues Series: George Michanowsky—"How Can We Improve Latin America's Image of the U. S.?"
JANUARY 21	(2 P.M.) Exams begin
JANUARY 30	Registration Day for second semester
FEBRUARY 1	(8:30 A.M.) Second Semester classes begin
FEBRUARY 3	Chapel Period: Honors Convocation
FEBRUARY 8-12	Religious Emphasis Week—Dr. John Leith
FEBRUARY 15	King Series: Joyce Grenfell
MARCH 5-7	Choir trip to New York
MARCH 14	King Series: Anton Kuerti
MARCH 18	Organ recital by Betty Engle
MARCH 19	Week end for Scholarship Finalists
MARCH 24	(12:20 P.M.) Spring Vacation begins
APRIL 4	(8:30 A.M.) Spring Vacation ends—Classes begin
APRIL 11	King Series: Theodor Uppman
APRIL 23	Spring play presented by Drama Department
MAY 2	Graduate Record Examinations—followed during the week by general exams for seniors
MAY 7	May Day—followed by Spring Dance
MAY 25	(2 P.M.) Second Semester examinations begin
JUNE 2	Examinations End
JUNE 4	Class Day—Alumnae Day
JUNE 5	Baccalaureate and Graduation Exercises

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